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あこがれの人
ー禁断の
同時進行!!?

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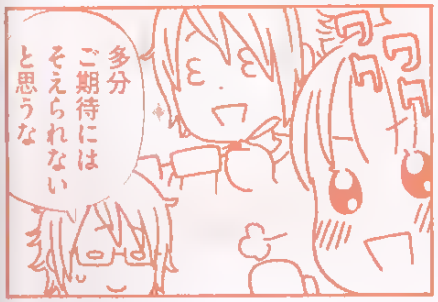

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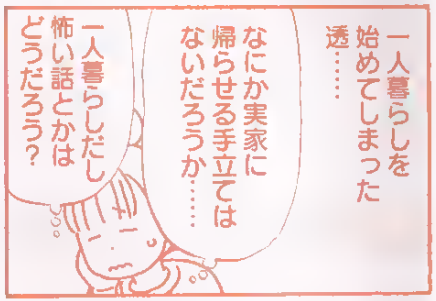

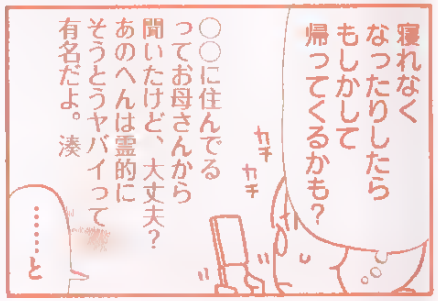

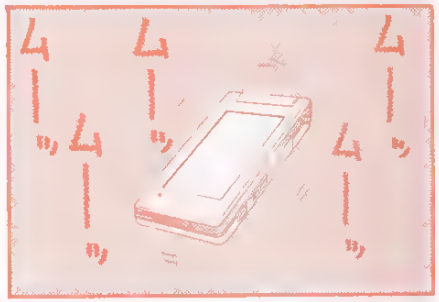

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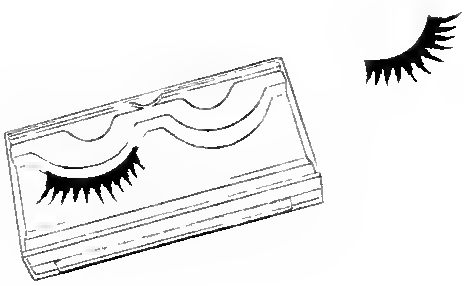

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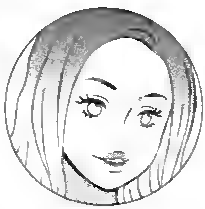
Introduction

Takatsuki Tooru

He is Minato's step-brother. He believes that this high school girl is not his step-sister. He is deeply in love.

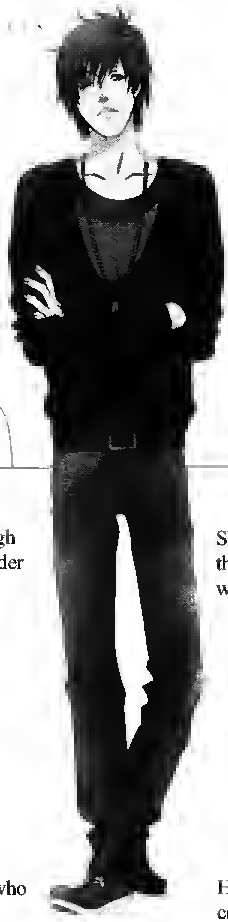
Mina

Mina is actually Minato disguised as a high school girl. She is dating Tooru while under this disguise.



Maki-chan

She is Minato's friend. She's the person who suggested that Minato walk around town dressed as a high school girl.



Takatsuki Minato

She is currently dating her step-brother. It is thanks to Tooru that she is a university student with an obsession with cleanliness.

Karasuma Shinji

He is Minato's junior high friend. They met in cram school. He goes to a different university than Minato, but they managed to meet each other in a cultural exchange club.

S T O R Y

One day, while dressed as a high school girl, Minato ran into Tooru, her step-brother. When she told him that he had mistaken her as his step-sister, he actually believed her. Tooru is crazy about "Mina," who is actually Minato in disguise. Minato is using this opportunity to correct Tooru's bad habit of using women. But, before she could break up with Tooru, Karasuma-kun confessed his love to Minato...!?

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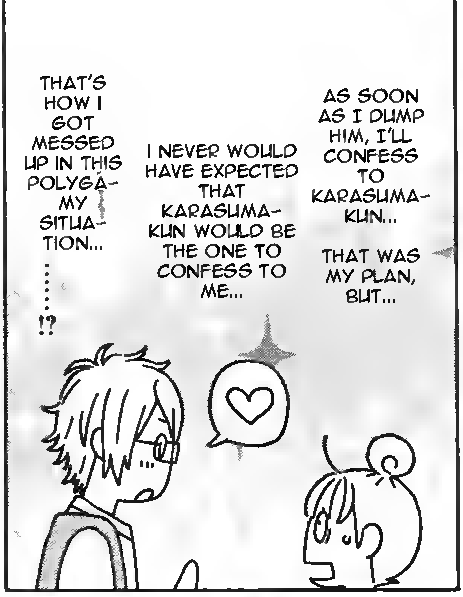
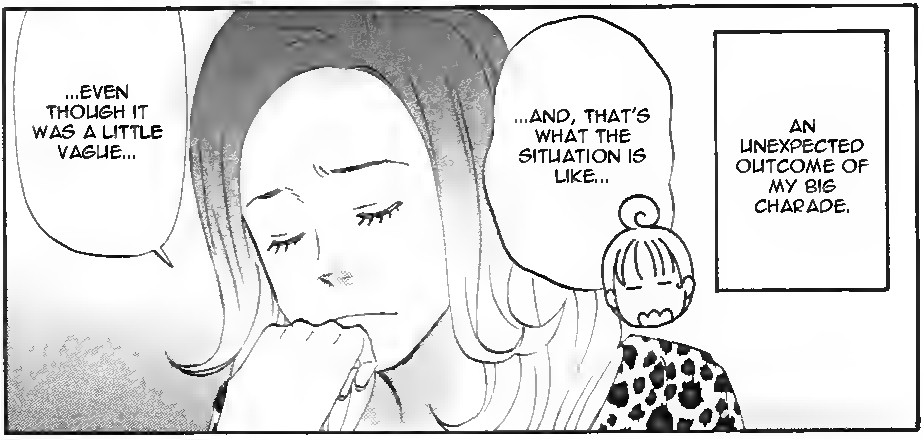
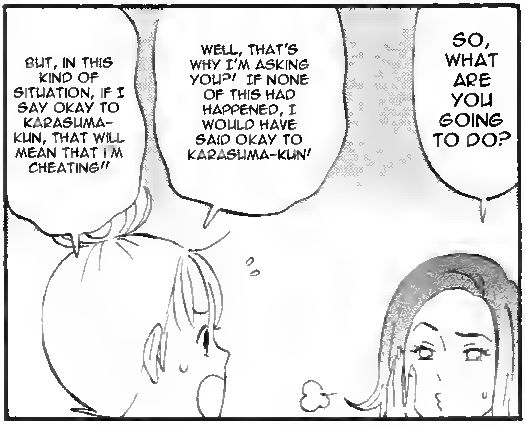
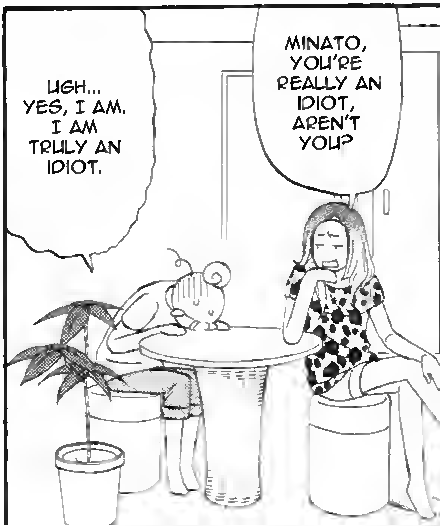
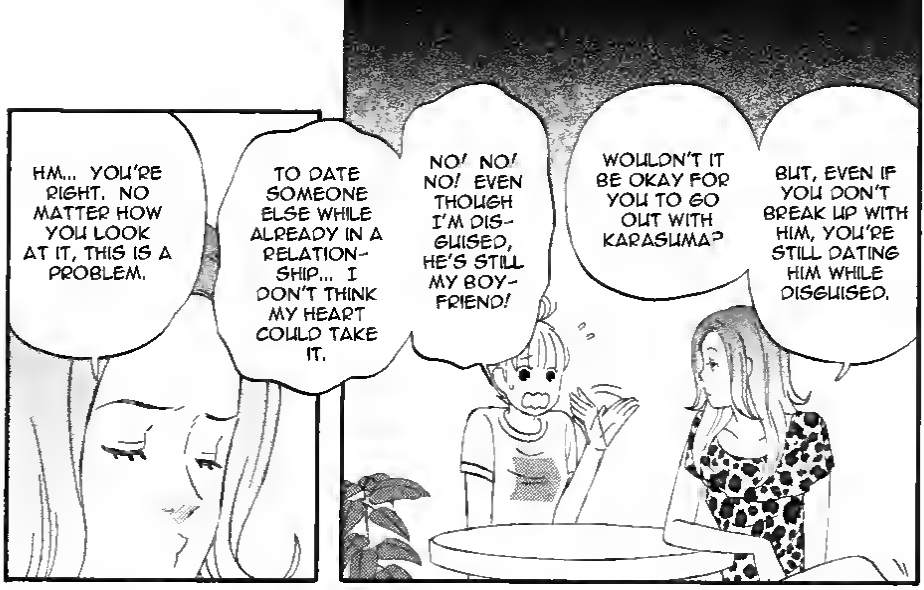

THAT'S HOW I GOT MESSED UP IN THIS POLYGA-MY SITUA-TION...
.....!?
I NEVER WOULD HAVE EXPECTED THAT KARASUMA-KUN WOULD BE THE ONE TO CONFESS TO ME...
AS SOON AS I DUMP HIM, I'LL CONFESS TO KARASUMA-KUN...
THAT WAS MY PLAN, BUT...

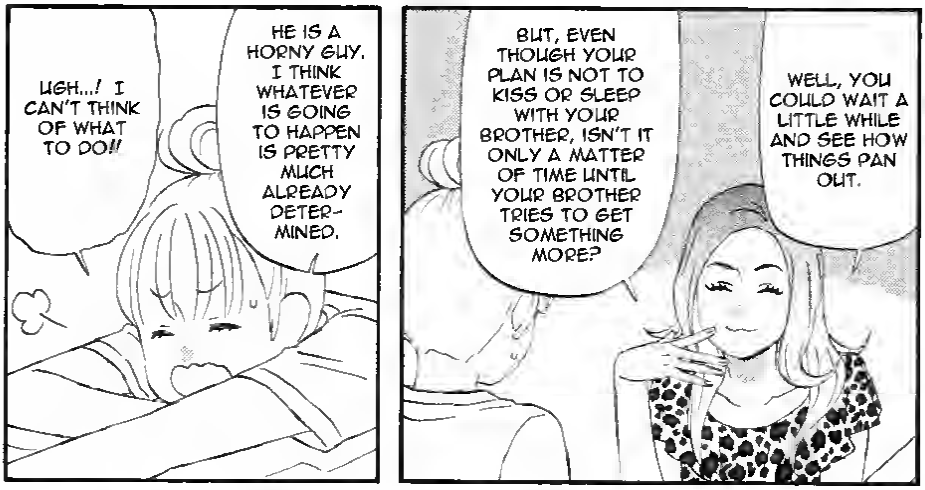
PREVIOUSLY
I REALLY WANT TO BREAK UP WITH HIM...
I WENT OUT WITH MY STEP-BROTHER WHILE DISGUISED AS A HIGH SCHOOL GIRL.
TAKATSUKI MINATO 20 YEARS OLD

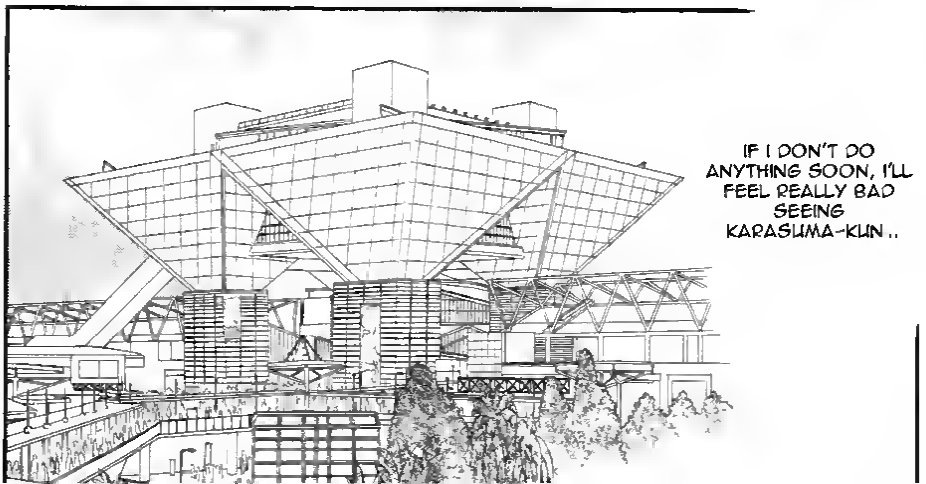

...EVEN THOUGH IT WAS A LITTLE VAGUE...
...AND, THAT'S WHAT THE SITUATION IS LIKE...
AN UNEXPECTED OUTCOME OF MY BIG CHARADE.

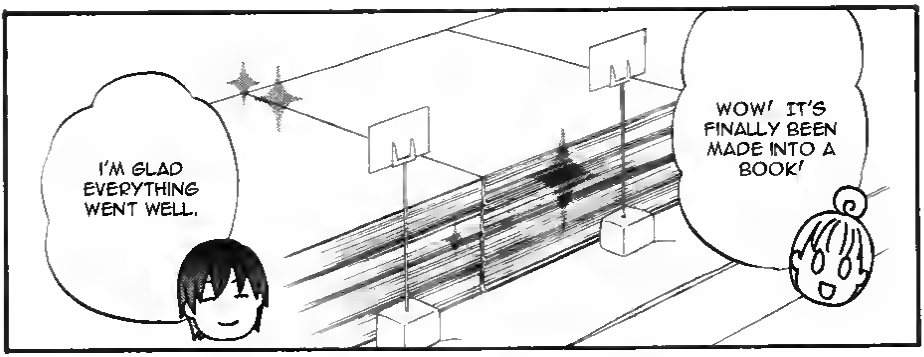

BUT, IN THIS KIND OF SITUATION, IF I SAY OKAY TO KARASUMA-KUN, THAT WILL MEAN THAT I'M CHEATING!!
WELL, THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING YOU?! IF NONE OF THIS HAD HAPPENED, I WOULD HAVE SAID OKAY TO KARASUMA-KUN!
SO, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?


UGH... YES, I AM. I AM TRULY AN IDIOT.
MINATO, YOU'RE REALLY AN IDIOT, AREN'T YOU?

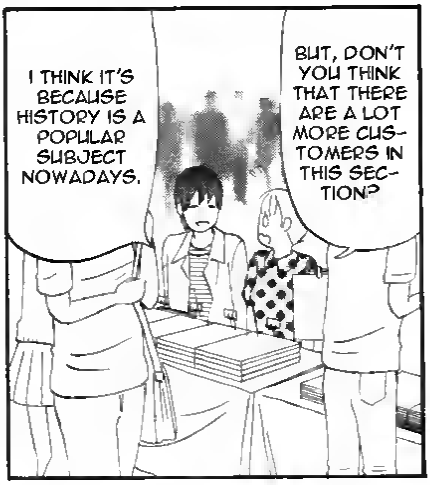

BUT, EVEN IF YOU DON'T BREAK UP WITH HIM, YOU'RE STILL DATING HIM WHILE DISGUISED.
WOULDN'T IT BE OKAY FOR YOU TO GO OUT WITH KARASUMA?
NO! NO! NO! EVEN THOUGH I'M DISGUISED, HE'S STILL MY BOYFRIEND!
TO DATE SOMEONE ELSE WHILE ALREADY IN A RELATIONSHIP... I DON'T THINK MY HEART COULD TAKE IT.
HM... YOU'RE RIGHT. NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT, THIS IS A PROBLEM.

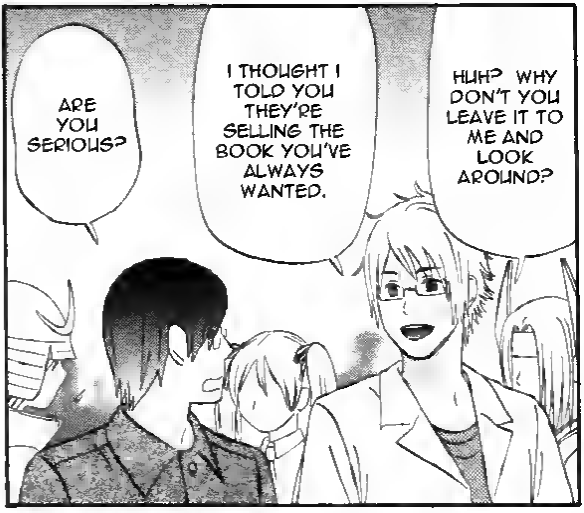

WELL, YOU COULD WAIT A LITTLE WHILE AND SEE HOW THINGS PAN OUT.
BUT, EVEN THOUGH YOUR PLAN IS NOT TO KISS OR SLEEP WITH YOUR BROTHER, ISN'T IT ONLY A MATTER OF TIME UNTIL YOUR BROTHER TRIES TO GET SOMETHING MORE?
HE IS A HORNY GUY. I THINK WHATEVER IS GOING TO HAPPEN IS PRETTY MUCH ALREADY DETERMINED.
UGH...! I CAN'T THINK OF WHAT TO DO!!


IF I DON'T DO ANYTHING SOON, I'LL FEEL REALLY BAD SEEING KARASUMA-KUN..

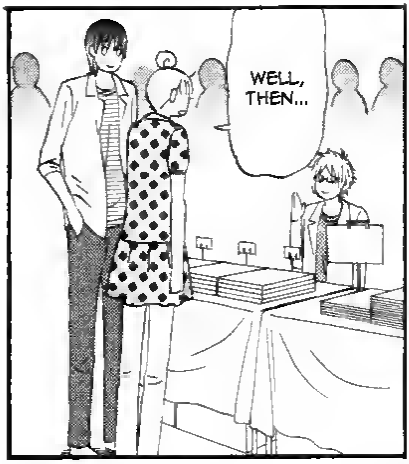

I'M GLAD EVERYTHING WENT WELL.
WOW! IT'S FINALLY BEEN MADE INTO A BOOK!

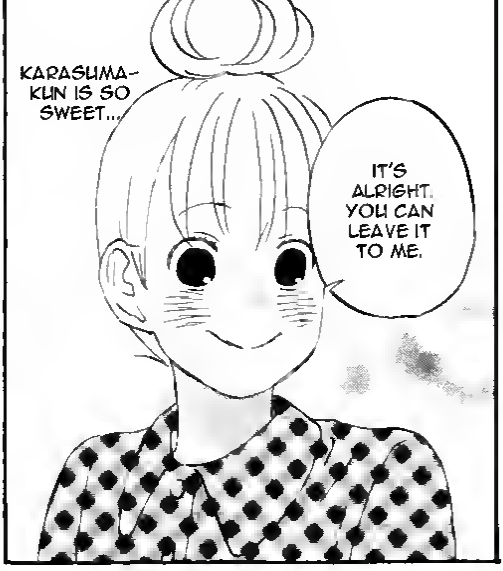
KARASU-MA-KUN AND YO-SHII-SAN...
IT'S ALL THANKS TO THE TV DRAMA THEY'VE BEEN SCREENING, DON'T YOU THINK?


I THINK IT'S BECAUSE HISTORY IS A POPULAR SUBJECT NOWADAYS.
BUT, DON'T YOU THINK THAT THERE ARE A LOT MORE CUS-TOMERS IN THIS SEC-TION?

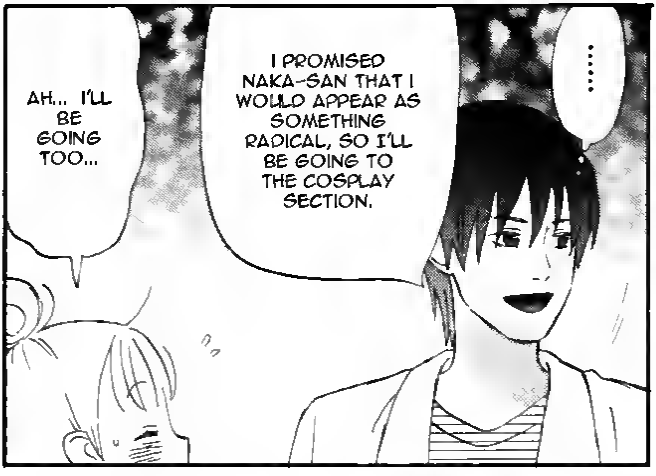

ARE YOU SERIOUS?
I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU THEY'RE SELLING THE BOOK YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED.
HUH? WHY DON'T YOU LEAVE IT TO ME AND LOOK AROUND?

IT'S OUR TURN TO TAKE CARE OF THE BOOTH NOW
I'M SORRY THAT I'M LATE.


WELL, THEN...


KARASUMA-KUN IS SO SWEET...
IT'S ALRIGHT. YOU CAN LEAVE IT TO ME.

I LEAVE OUR BOOTH IN YOUR HANDS, MINATO-SAN.
WHAT?


AH... I'LL BE GOING TOO...
I PROMISED NAKA-SAN THAT I WOULD APPEAR AS SOMETHING RADICAL, SO I'LL BE GOING TO THE COSPLAY SECTION.
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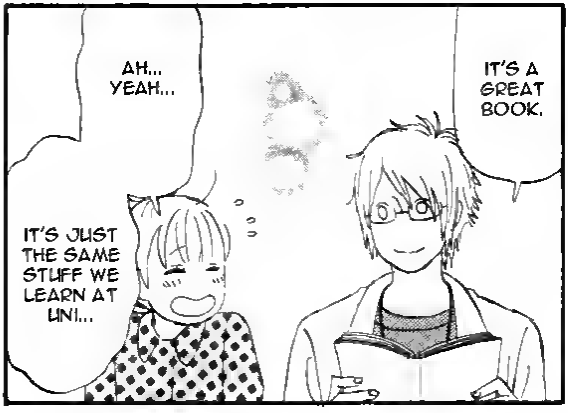
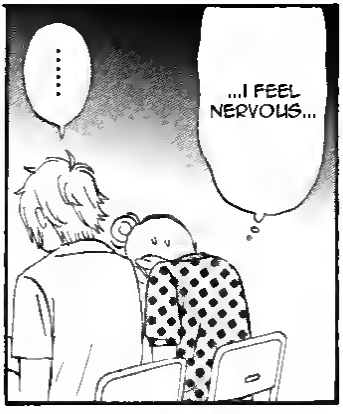

AH... YEAH...
IT'S A GREAT BOOK.
IT'S JUST THE SAME STUFF WE LEARN AT UNI...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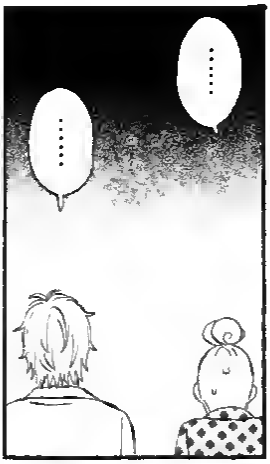
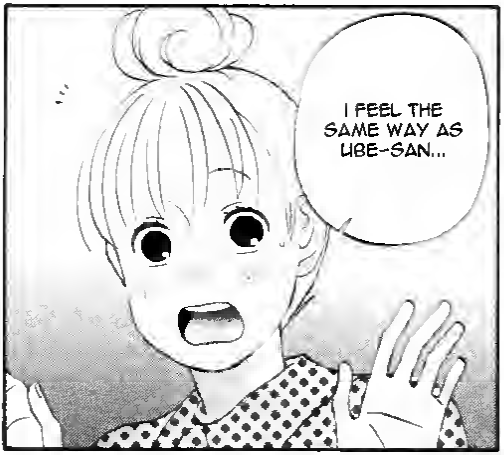
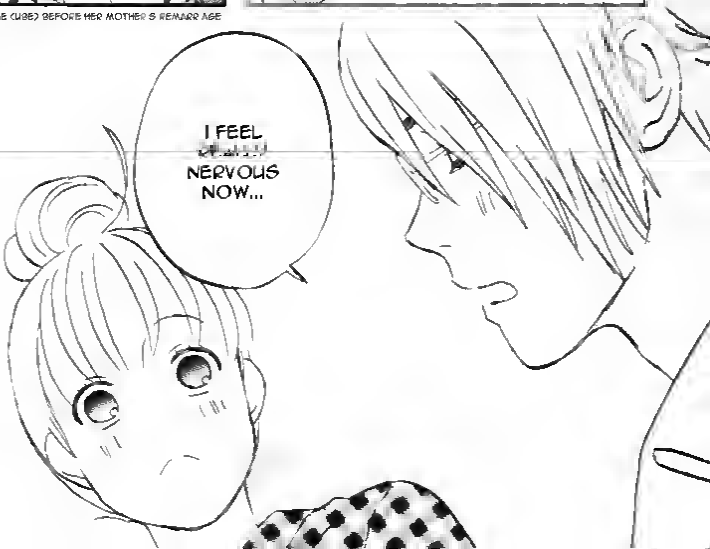
...I FEEL NERVOUS...





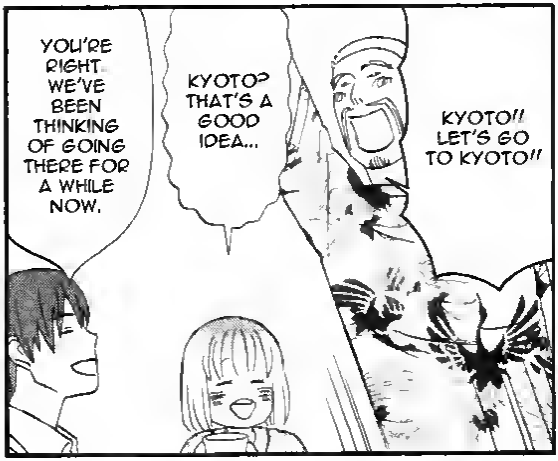
T/N: KARASUMA IS REFERRING TO MINATO'S LAST NAME (UBE) BEFORE HER MOTHER'S REMARRIAGE



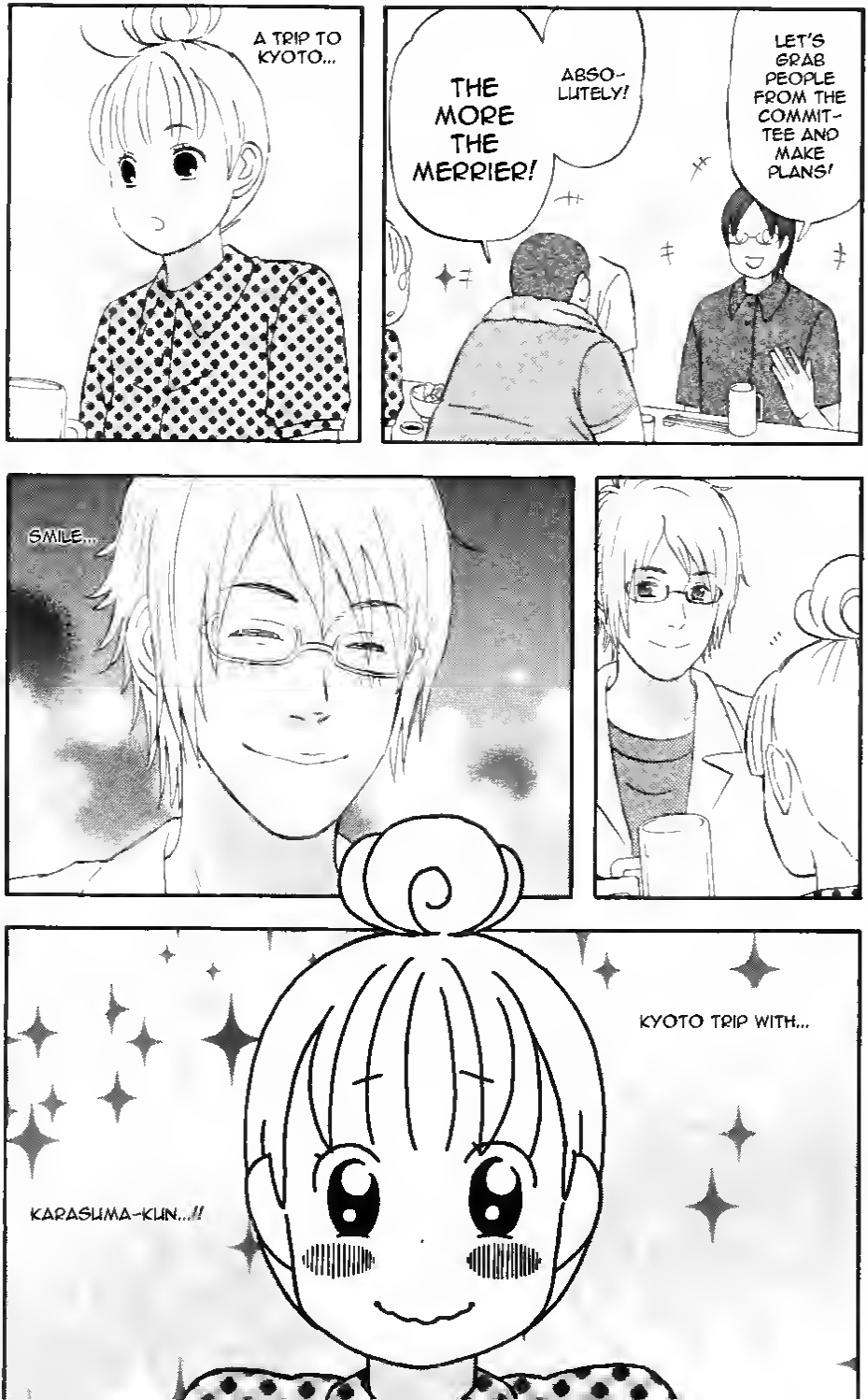
THANK YOU FOR TODAY!!!
I'VE GOT TO HURRY AND BREAK UP WITH TOORU SO THAT I CAN HAVE KARASUMA-KUN AS MY BOY-FRIEND!

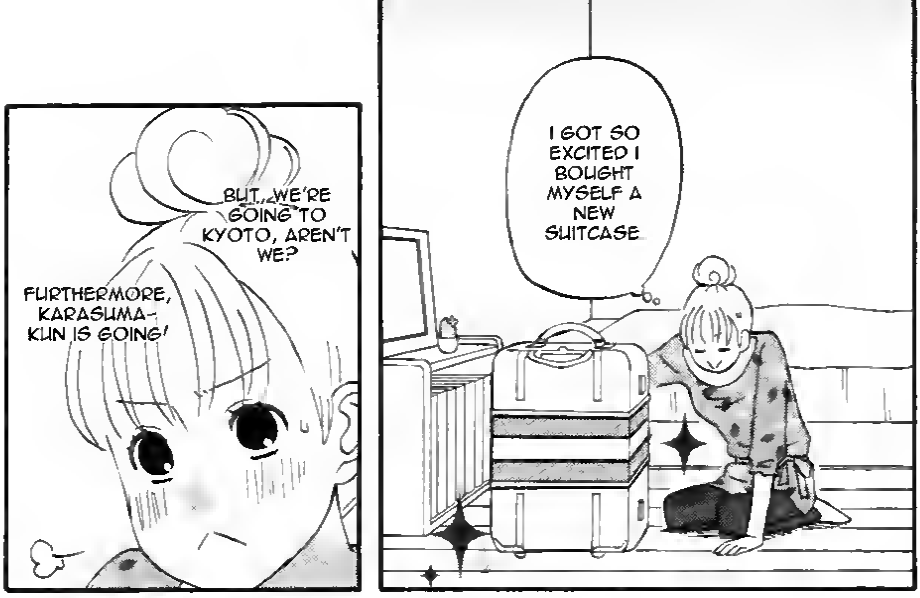
THAT'S NOT A BAD IDEA...
HOW ABOUT WE JOIN A COMMITTEE NEXT TIME TOO?

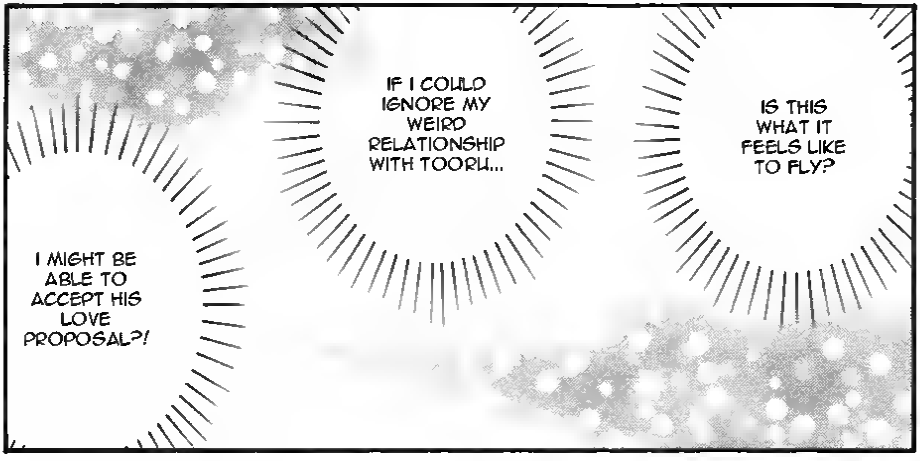
I'M REALLY GLAD THE BOOK MARKET WENT SMOOTHLY!
IT'S A GOOD THING WE GOT THE SPACE FOR THE COMMITTEE
WE MANAGED TO SAVE SOME MONEY FOR THE CLUB!

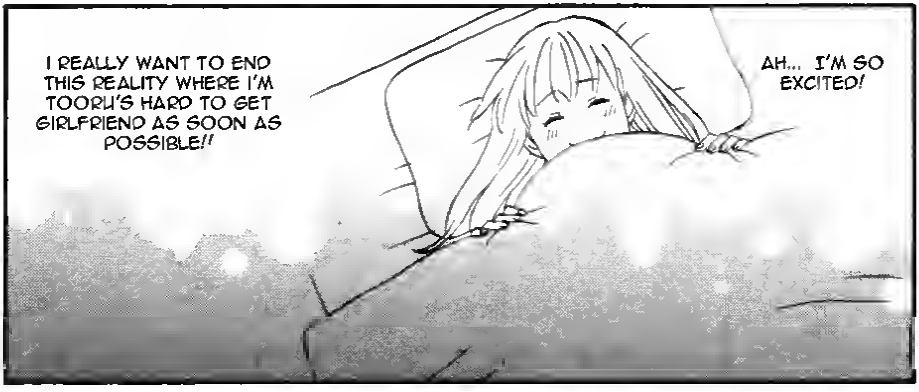

YOU'RE RIGHT. WE'VE BEEN THINKING OF GOING THERE FOR A WHILE NOW.
KYOTO? THAT'S A GOOD IDEA...
KYOTO!! LET'S GO TO KYOTO!!

AH! A TOUR TO THE ANCIENT CITY!
WHY DON'T WE PLAN A TRIP SINCE BOOK MARKET IS NOW OVER?


A TRIP TO KYOTO...
THE MORE THE MERRIER!
ABSO-LUTELY!
LET'S GRAB PEOPLE FROM THE COMMIT-TEE AND MAKE PLANS!
SMILE...
KYOTO TRIP WITH...
KARASUMA-KUN...!!

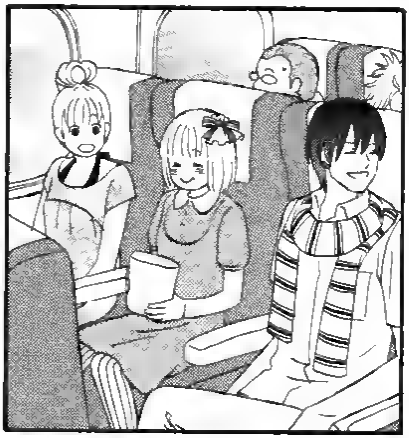

I GOT SO EXCITED I BOUGHT MYSELF A NEW SUITCASE
BUT...WE'RE GOING TO KYOTO, AREN'T WE?
FURTHERMORE, KARASUMA-KUN IS GOING!

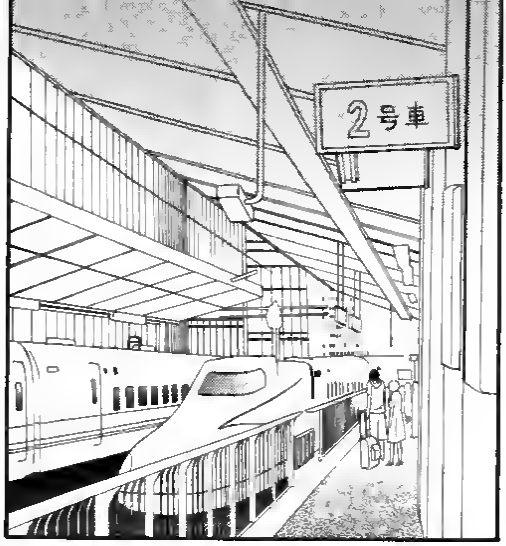

IF I COULD IGNORE MY WEIRD RELATIONSHIP WITH TOORU...
IS THIS WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO FLY?
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT HIS LOVE PROPOSAL?!


I REALLY WANT TO END THIS REALITY WHERE I'M TOORU'S HARD TO GET GIRLFRIEND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!
AH... I'M SO EXCITED!

COME ON!
HURRY AND BREAK UP!
COME ON!
COME ON!
THE DAY OF THE TRIP.
.....
WHAT'S THAT?
HUH?
DAMN! I ALMOST MADE IT YESTERDAY! DAMN THAT GUY...
FOR A NATURAL "CARNIVORE" LIKE HIM, HIS ENDURANCE IS REMARKABLE.

...I SEE...
IT'S A SUITCASE. CAN'T YOU TELL BY LOOKING AT IT? I'M GOING ON A TRIP TO KYOTO.
CAN'T YOU JUST PRETEND IT'S NOT THERE FOR ONE NIGHT?
WHATEVER. BUT, IT'LL BE SUCH A NUISANCE IF YOU LEAVE YOUR SUITCASE THERE.
HE SHOWS THE SAME FACE TO HIS GIRLFRIEND, BUT HIS PERSONALITY IS ENTIRELY DIFFERENT.
SIGH...

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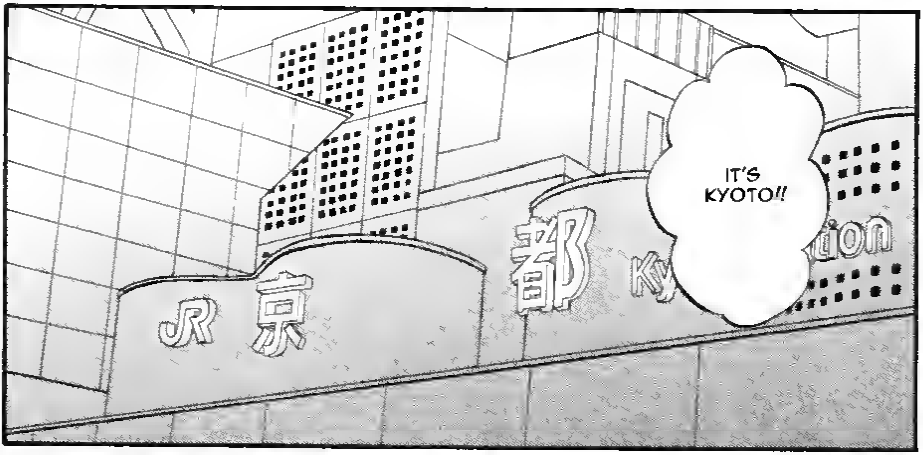
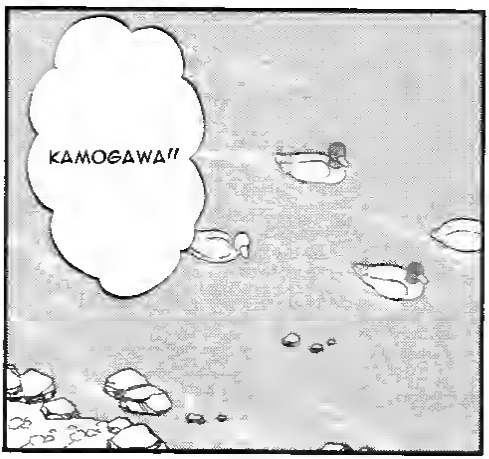
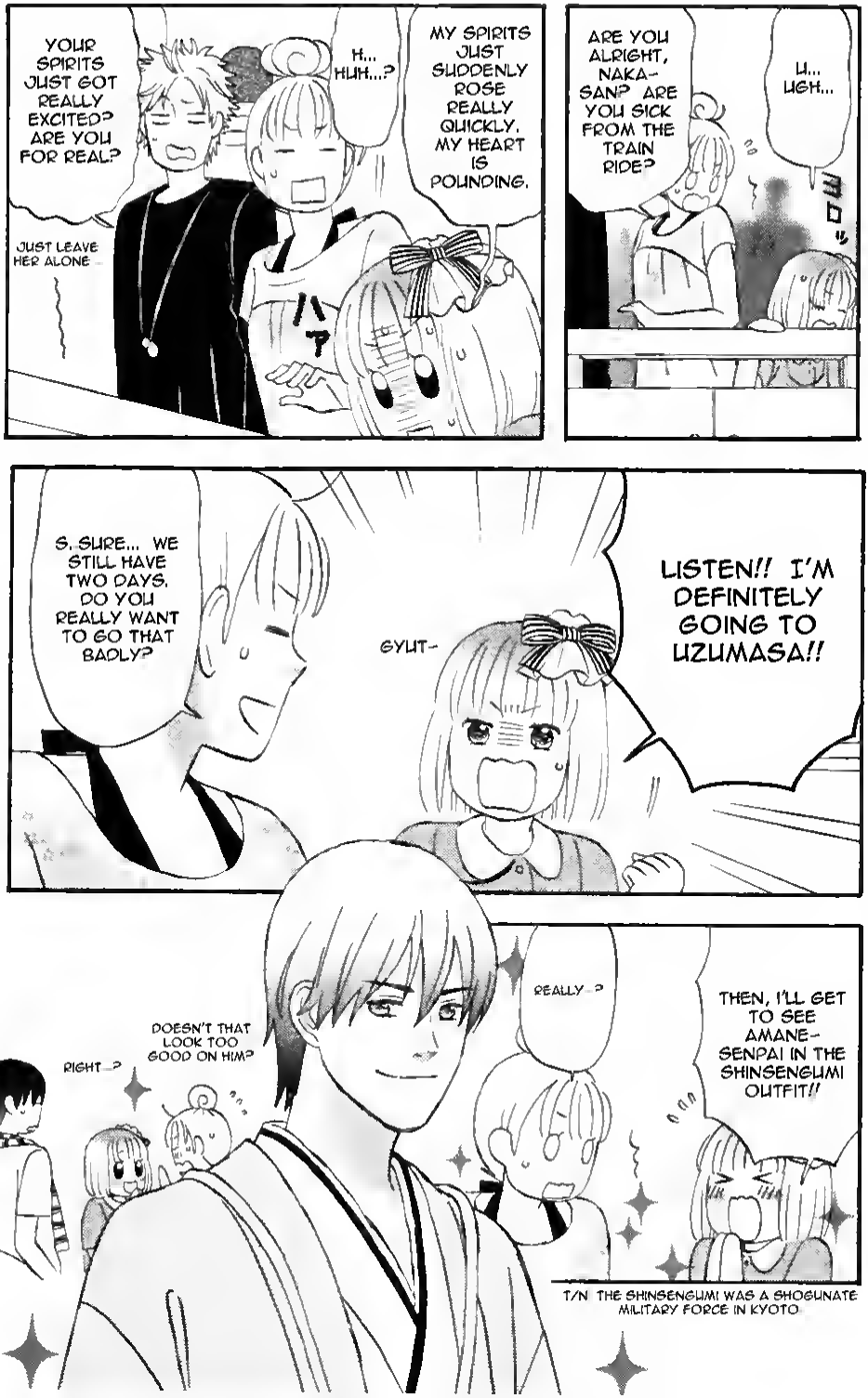

IT'S KYOTO!!
JR 京 都

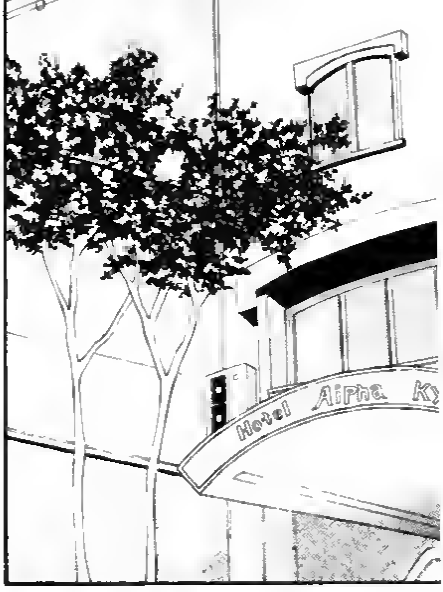

KAMOGAWA!!

KAWARA-MACHI!!


YOUR SPIRITS JUST GOT REALLY EXCITED? ARE YOU FOR REAL?
JUST LEAVE HER ALONE
H... HUH...?
MY SPIRITS JUST SUDDENLY ROSE REALLY QUICKLY. MY HEART IS POUNDING.
ARE YOU ALRIGHT, NAKA-SAN? ARE YOU SICK FROM THE TRAIN RIDE?
U... UGH...
S, SURE... WE STILL HAVE TWO DAYS. DO YOU REALLY WANT TO GO THAT BADLY?
GYUT-
LISTEN!! I'M DEFINITELY GOING TO UZUMASA!!
RIGHT...?
DOESN'T THAT LOOK TOO GOOD ON HIM?
REALLY...?
THEN, I'LL GET TO SEE AMANE-SENPAI IN THE SHINSENGUMI OUTFIT!!

T/N: THE SHINSENGUMI WAS A SHOGUNATE MILITARY FORCE IN KYOTO.

WE ALL HAVE DIFFERENT PLACES WE WANT TO VISIT.
SINCE WE'VE PUT ALL OF OUR STUFF AWAY, WHY DON'T WE SPLIT UP AND LOOK AROUND ON OUR OWN?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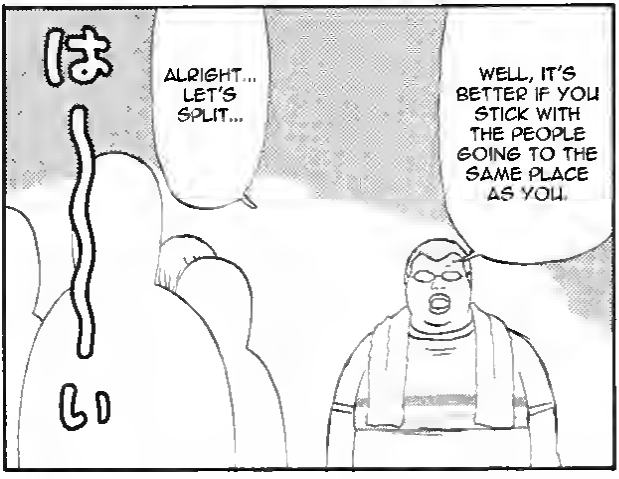
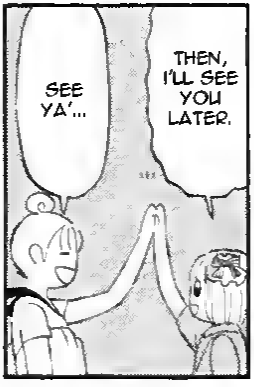
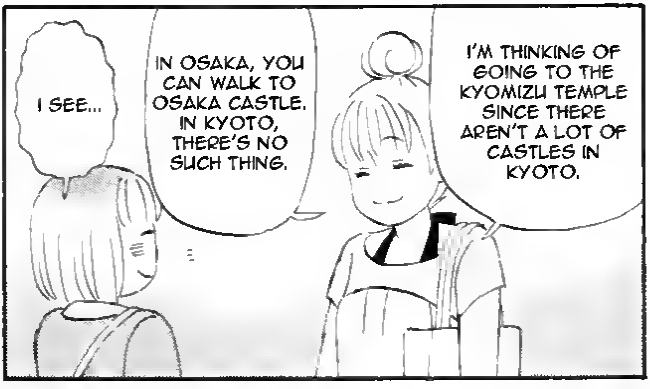
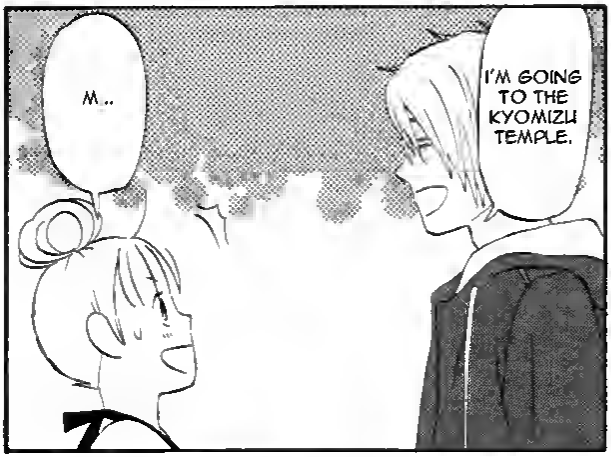
I'M GOING TO UZUMASA WITH AMANE-SENPAI. HOW ABOUT YOU, MINA-CHI? WHY DON'T YOU JOIN US?
HM .....


ALRIGHT... LET'S SPLIT...
WELL, IT'S BETTER IF YOU STICK WITH THE PEOPLE GOING TO THE SAME PLACE AS YOU.


THEN, I'LL SEE YOU LATER.
SEE YA'...


I SEE...
IN OSAKA, YOU CAN WALK TO OSAKA CASTLE. IN KYOTO, THERE'S NO SUCH THING.
I'M THINKING OF GOING TO THE KYOMIZU TEMPLE SINCE THERE AREN'T A LOT OF CASTLES IN KYOTO.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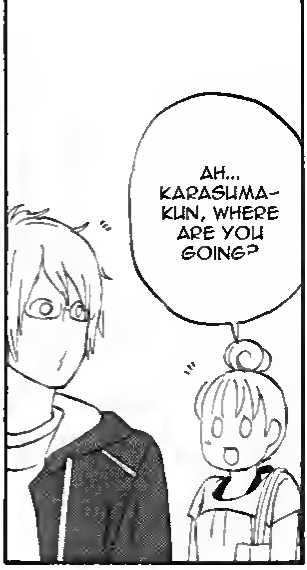
I'M GOING TO THE KYOMIZU TEMPLE.


AH... KARASUMA-KUN, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

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SHOULD WE GO TOGETHER?
UNEXPE-CTEDLY...
ME TOO...

HUH...?
THOSE TWO SEEM VERY CLOSE. ARE THEY GOING OUT?

HM...
WE'RE ALL JUST IN THE SAME CLUB WITH THE SAME INTERESTS.
RIGHT.
WE DON'T REALLY TALK ABOUT STUFF LIKE THAT, RIGHT?
TO GO ON A TRIP TO KYOTO AND ACT ALL NATURAL WITH EACH OTHER RIGHT AFTER A LOVE CONFESSION...
I KNOW. I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT.
AS I THOUGHT, WE CAN'T MISS THE KYOMIZU TEMPLE'S WOODEN ARCHITECTURE.
MAYBE I'VE DIED AND GONE TO HEAVEN...?

WOW... SO THIS IS THE KYOMIZU TEMPLE!

I'VE NEVER BEEN THERE EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS A TRIP IN JUNIOR HIGH.
YOU MUST BE REALLY EXCITED!

AH! THEY EVEN HAVE THE SHRINE FOR MATCH-MAKING!
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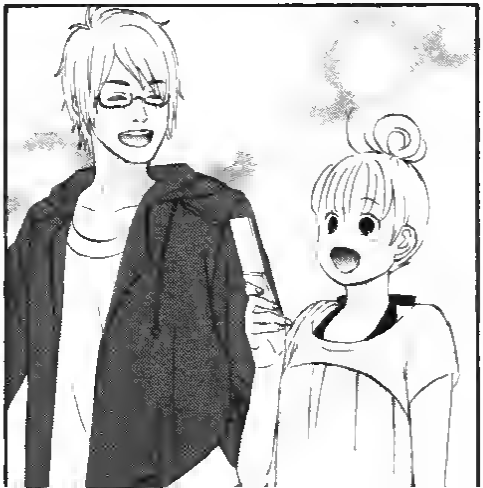
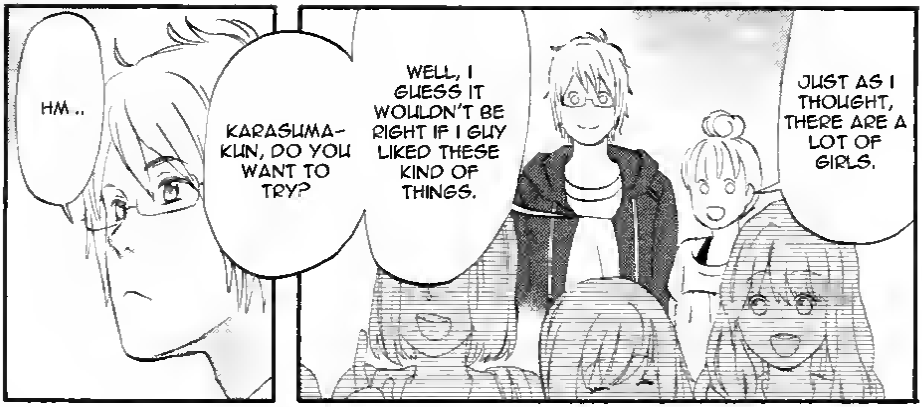
地主神社




HM..
KARASUMA-KUN, DO YOU WANT TO TRY?
WELL, I GUESS IT WOULDN'T BE RIGHT IF I GUY LIKED THESE KIND OF THINGS.
JUST AS I THOUGHT, THERE ARE A LOT OF GIRLS.

BESIDES...
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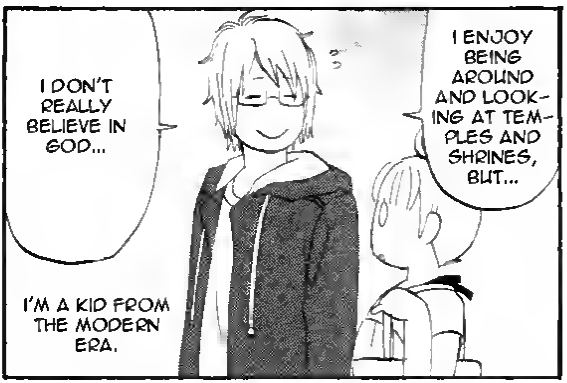
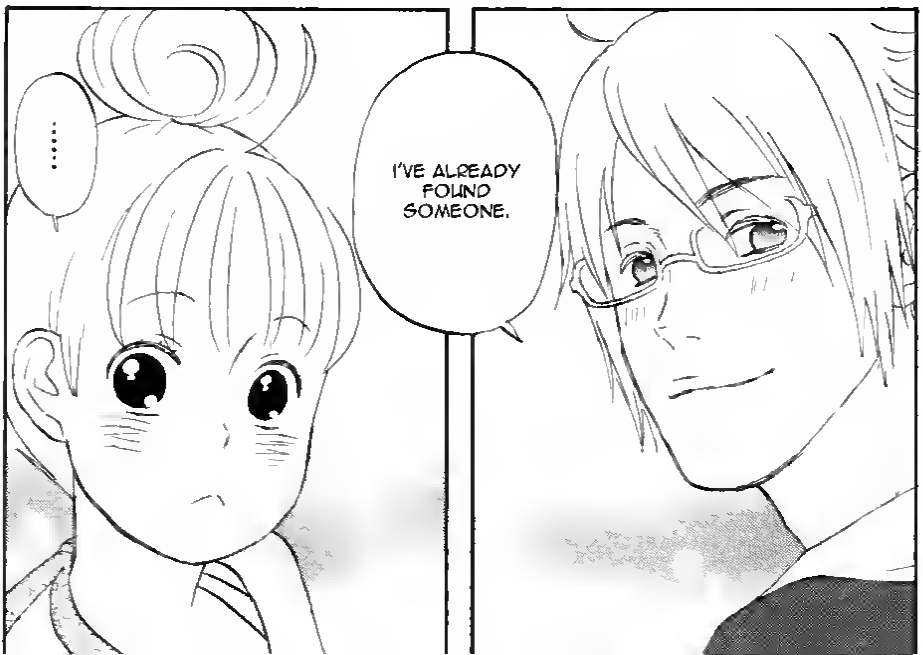

I DON'T REALLY BELIEVE IN GOD...
I'M A KID FROM THE MODERN ERA.
I ENJOY BEING AROUND AND LOOKING AT TEMPLES AND SHRINES, BUT...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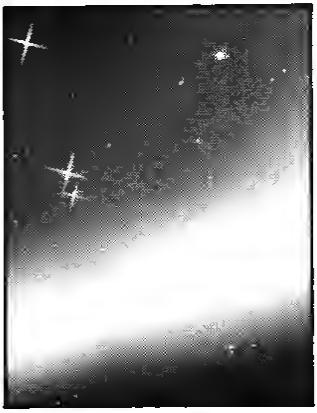
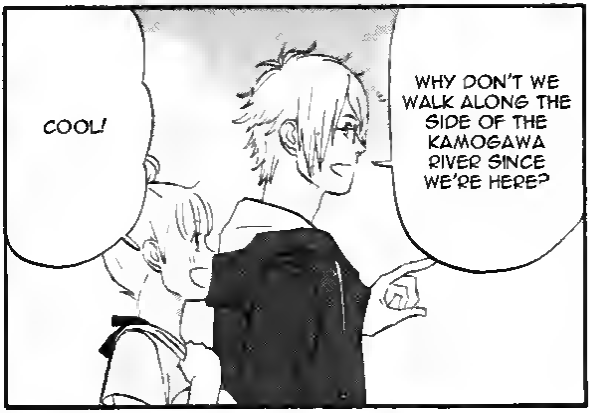
I'VE ALREADY FOUND SOMEONE.

THE KYO-MIZU TEMPLE WAS AWE-SOME...

IT'S TRUE.
IS THAT SO...?



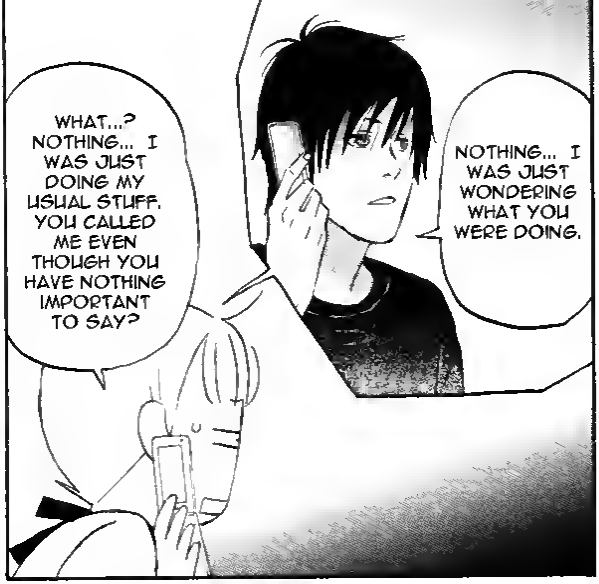

COOL!
WHY DON'T WE WALK ALONG THE SIDE OF THE KAMOGAWA RIVER SINCE WE'RE HERE?

UM...
ARE YOU TIRED? DO YOU WANT TO SIT DOWN?
I DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE SITTING ON THE GRASS SINCE I'M A CLEAN FREAK.

THE KAMOGAWA RIVER AT NIGHT IS AMAZING. THERE ARE A LOT OF COU-PLES OUT HERE TOO...

I FEEL LIKE THIS IS THE MOST NATURAL THING IN THE WORLD.
EVEN SO, IT WOULD BE SUCH A WASTE TO REFUSE TO SHARE A MOMENT LIKE THIS.
YOUR PHONE IS RINGING.
HUH?
AGH...! IF ONLY I HAD BROKEN UP WITH TOORU, I'D BE ABLE TO ACCEPT HIS LOVE PROPOSAL RIGHT HERE RIGHT NOW!
WHY DOES HE HAVE TO CALL ME AT A TIME LIKE THIS? THAT MORON ..
IF I DON'T RESPOND, HE'LL JUST KEEP CALLING.
SORRY
..HELLO? WHAT'S WRONG?

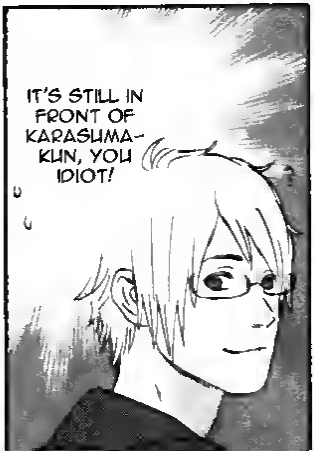
EH...? WHAT IS IT? DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
NOT REALLY... I DID CALL YOU BECAUSE I HAVE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO SAY.

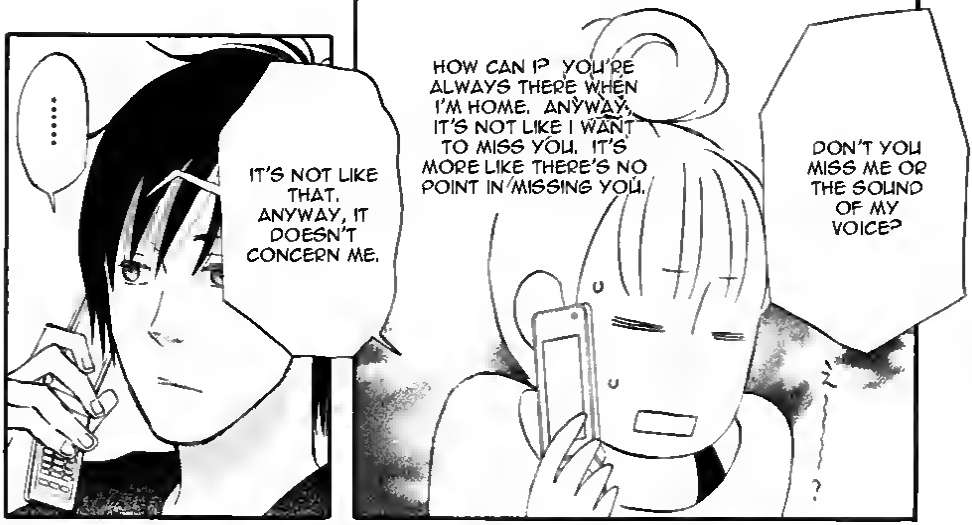

WHAT...? NOTHING... I WAS JUST DOING MY USUAL STUFF. YOU CALLED ME EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVE NOTHING IMPORTANT TO SAY?
NOTHING... I WAS JUST WONDERING WHAT YOU WERE DOING.

BUT, IT'S STILL...
CAN YOU PLEASE STOP SAYING STUFF LIKE THAT?
WHY? I DIDN'T SAY IT IN FRONT OF OTHER PEOPLE. WE'RE ON THE PHONE.

I WANT TO HEAR YOUR VOICE, MINA...

HUH...?
MINA, YOU'RE DOING FINE EVEN THOUGH WE'RE NOT SEEING EACH OTHER, RIGHT?


IT'S STILL IN FRONT OF KARASUMA-KUN, YOU IDIOT!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IT'S NOT LIKE THAT. ANYWAY, IT DOESN'T CONCERN ME.
HOW CAN I? YOU'RE ALWAYS THERE WHEN I'M HOME. ANYWAY, IT'S NOT LIKE I WANT TO MISS YOU. IT'S MORE LIKE THERE'S NO POINT IN MISSING YOU.
DON'T YOU MISS ME OR THE SOUND OF MY VOICE?
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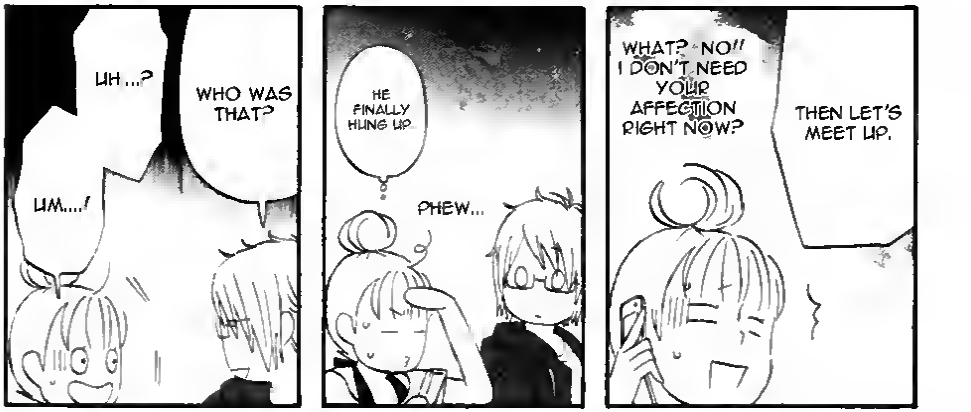
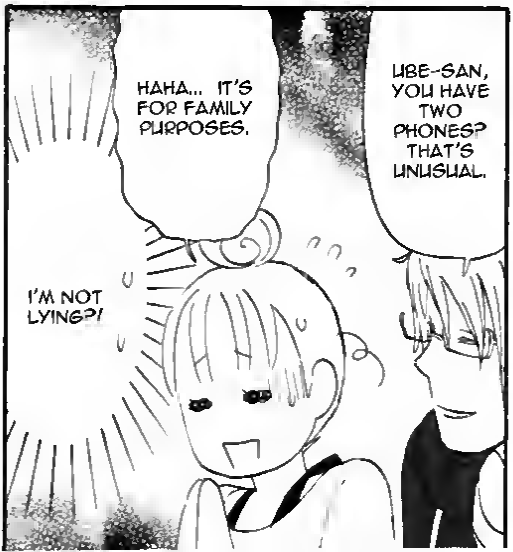
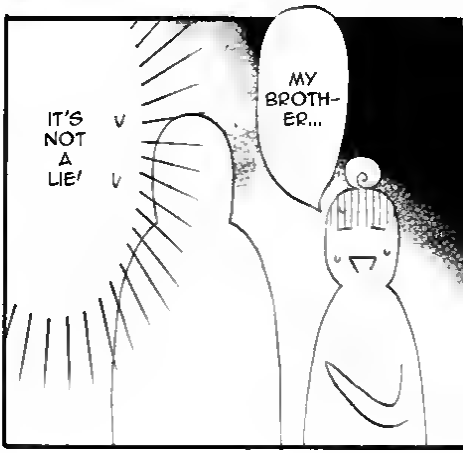
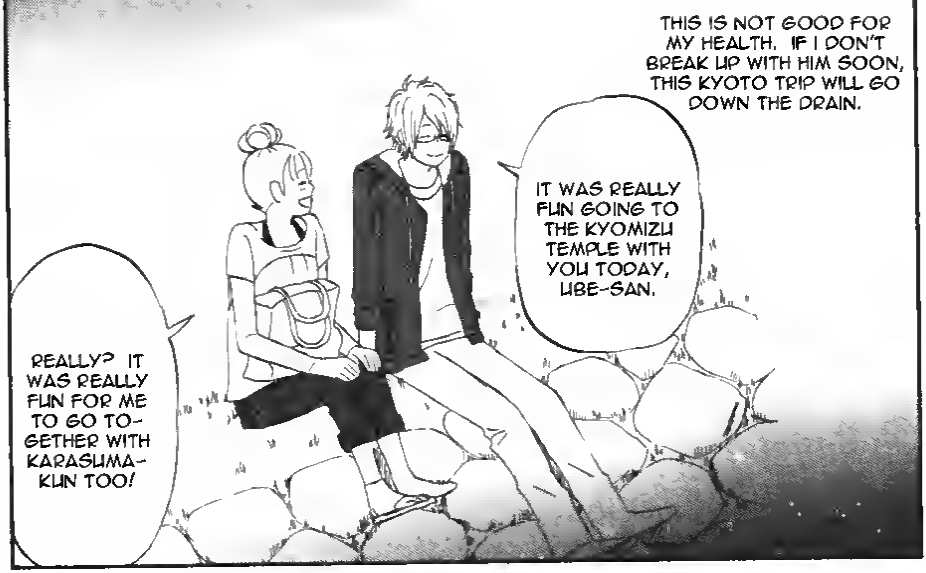
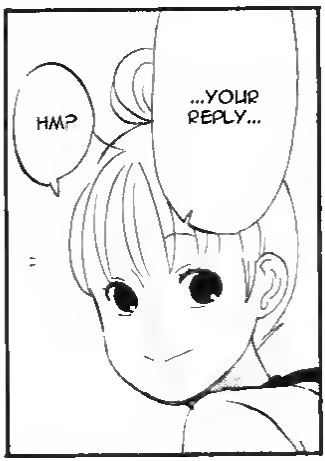
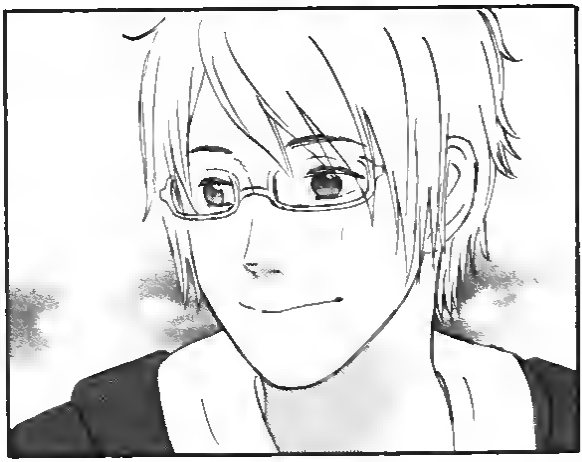

UH...?
WHO WAS THAT?
UM....!
HE FINALLY HUNG UP.
PHEW...
WHAT? NO!! I DON'T NEED YOUR AFFECTION RIGHT NOW?
THEN LET'S MEET UP.


HAHA... IT'S FOR FAMILY PURPOSES.
UBE-SAN, YOU HAVE TWO PHONES? THAT'S UNUSUAL.
I'M NOT LYING?!


MY BROTHER...
IT'S NOT A LIE!

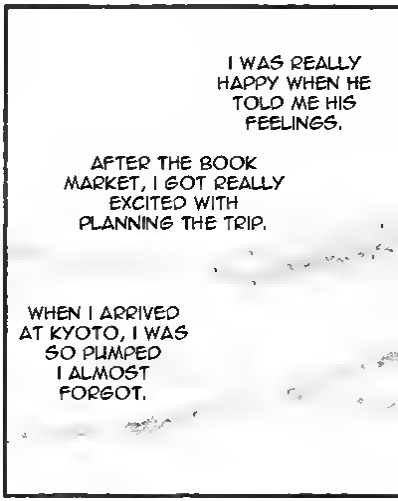

THIS IS NOT GOOD FOR MY HEALTH. IF I DON'T BREAK UP WITH HIM SOON, THIS KYOTO TRIP WILL GO DOWN THE DRAIN.
IT WAS REALLY FUN GOING TO THE KYOMIZU TEMPLE WITH YOU TODAY, UBE-SAN.
REALLY? IT WAS REALLY FUN FOR ME TO GO TOGETHER WITH KARASUMA-KUN TOO!

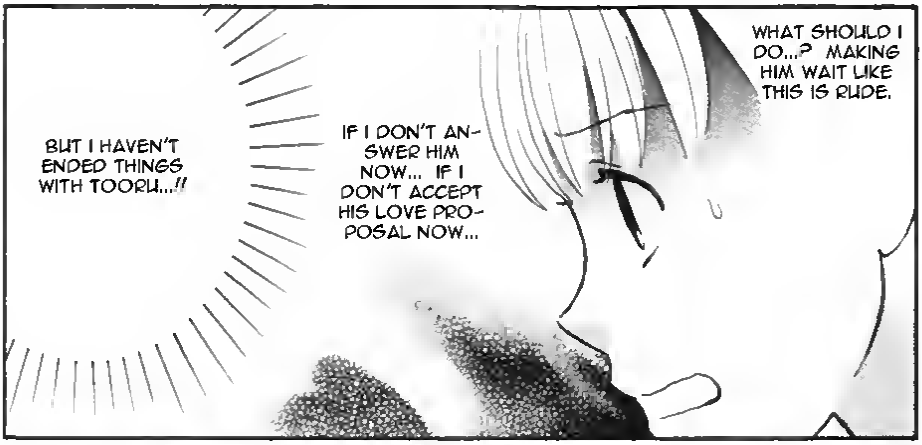

...YOUR REPLY...
HM?



I WONDER WHEN I'LL HEAR YOUR ANSWER.

AND I KEEP EMPHASIZING WHAT'S IMPORTANT. I THINK I OVEREMPHASIZE WHAT'S IMPORTANT.
IF I THINK ABOUT IT, I'VE LEFT HIM WITHOUT AN ANSWER FOR A MONTH NOW.
WELL...


I WAS REALLY HAPPY WHEN HE TOLD ME HIS FEELINGS.
AFTER THE BOOK MARKET, I GOT REALLY EXCITED WITH PLANNING THE TRIP.
WHEN I ARRIVED AT KYOTO, I WAS SO PUMPED I ALMOST FORGOT.


WHAT SHOULD I DO...? MAKING HIM WAIT LIKE THIS IS RUDE.
IF I DON'T ANSWER HIM NOW... IF I DON'T ACCEPT HIS LOVE PROPOSAL NOW...
BUT I HAVEN'T ENDED THINGS WITH TOORU...!!

WHAT AM I... SUPPOSED TO DO?

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I feel so close to you right now

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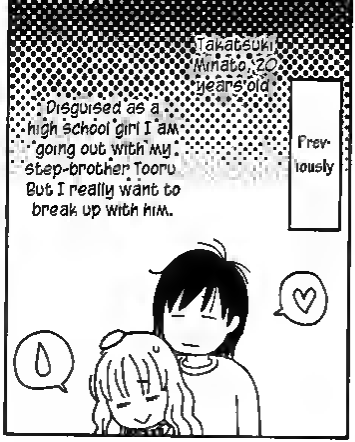
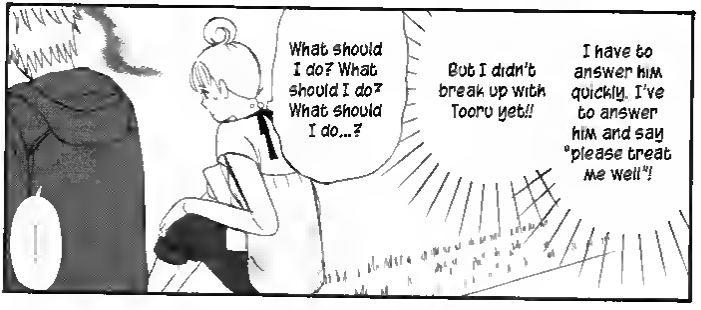
Chapter 9 × sparrows and donuts

To respond to Karasuma's confession, I tried to break up with him even faster, but I wasn't successful.


Takatsuki Minato, 20 years old
Disguised as a high school girl I am going out with my step-brother Tooru But I really want to break up with him.
Previously

Your reply to my confession... I wonder when I'll hear it...?
And now, during a club trip to Kyoto, Karasuma told me he wants to hear my answer to his confession soon...


What should I do? What should I do? What should I do...?
But I didn't break up with Tooru yet!!
I have to answer him quickly. I've to answer him and say "please treat me well"!

Mina
You aren't bothering me at all!
Not at all!!
I'm sorry... I guess I was bothering you
It's just...
But it would be too convenient for me to ask for more time since I'm expecting to break up with Tooru.
TWO-TIMING IS UNACCEPTABLE!!!
Uh... I may be disguised as another person while going out with Tooru, but no matter how I think about it, I can't go out with Karasuma-kun. It's just too wrong.
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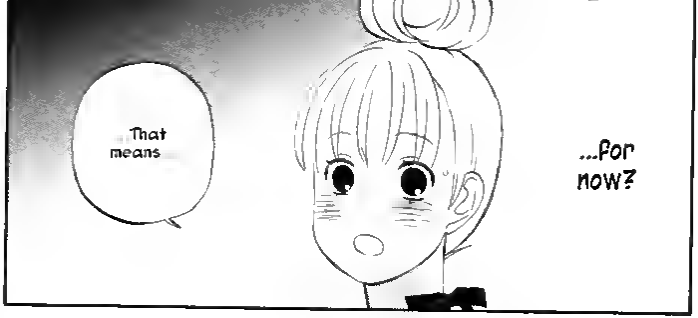
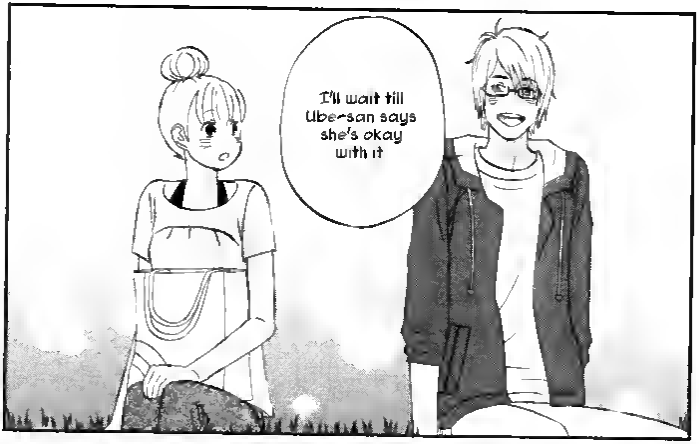
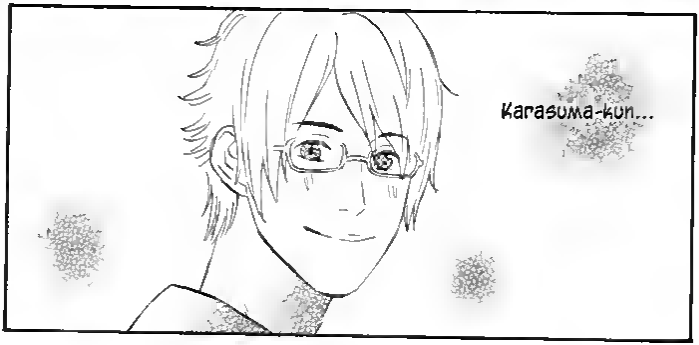
I'm so stupid!! Just because I can't break up with Tooru properly~~~~
Uuuuh... Dammit... There's no other way than rejecting him.
And more than anything, I feel sorry for Karasuma-kun...

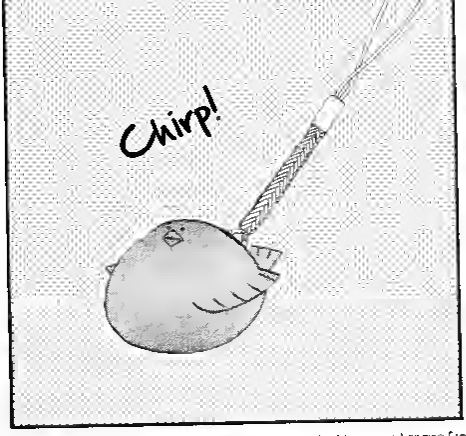
I've to at least tell Karasuma-kun that he isn't the reason I am turning him down.
I'm sorry, I erm ... I like Karasuma-kun, but...
..Errrm
Well, it's true that I can't go out with him because of my brother...
I'm sorry ..
My younger brother has had excessive relationships with women I mean..
So I am hesitating on having such a relationship with a man, I mean... I can't imagine that...
He's a scoundrel, a scoundrel!
HMMM
He sure looks like he's popular What a troublesome younger brother
Yeah. He's the only younger brother I have
I see...
With younger brother, do you mean that good-looking-guy I met in front of your house?
.....

……
Smile
Smile
…Eh
Well, Ube-san, you just said you like me.
Wh…Why are you smiling like that?
Ehhh?
Yes, I understand that it's like this for now
Bu…But I also said I can't imagine us going out!?
I, I said that!!

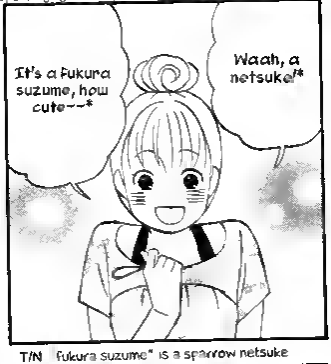

That means
...for now?


I'll wait till Uber-san says she's okay with it


Karasuma-kun...



T/N: A "netsuke" is a little carving that's usually attached to a rope hanging from a pouch (ask wikipedia for more^^)

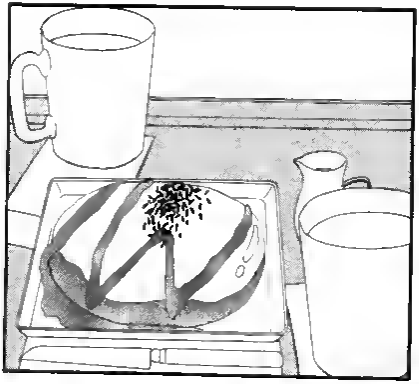


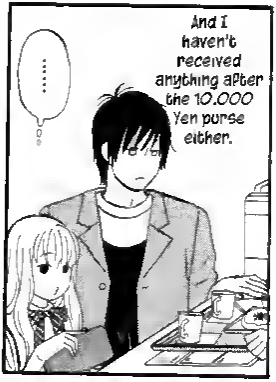
T/N: "fukura suzume" is a sparrow netsuke

I like wooden things and craving them. It's only a hobby, so I still have a long way to go
Really!? You're so skillful!
I made it myself, so I'm not so confident about it...

Okay! Thank you
Alpha Kyoto
I'll wait till Ube-san says she's okay with it.
Even the things Karasuma-kun gives me are nice and cute, hm.
Karasuma-kun said he'll wait for me.

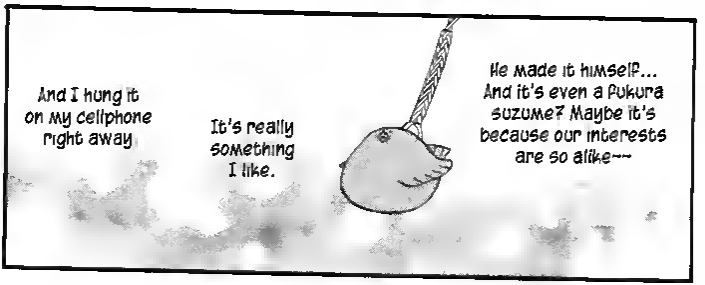
Do your best and break up with Tooru~~!!!
Do your best, Minato!!
I should be able to see the results of my "woman who won't let him" plan soon by now.
After this I don't won't do anything with him either.

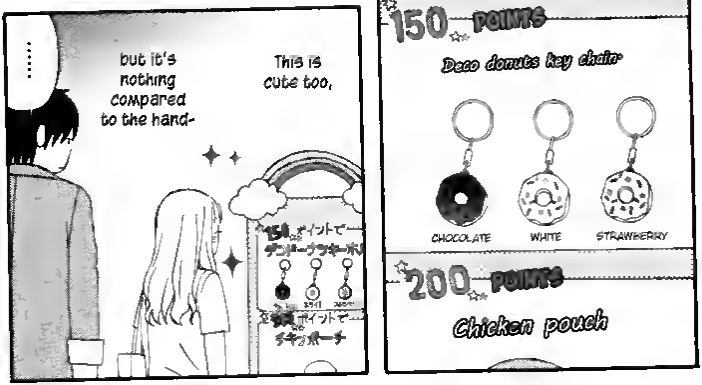



And I haven't received anything after the 10.000 Yen purse either.

Compared to that, the netsuke karasuma-kun gave me is great.

If I haven't received that purse, it probably wouldn't have become this complicated...
But it really made me feel responsible~~~ that purse...


And I hung it on my celiphone right away.
It's really something I like.
He made it himself... And it's even a fukura suzume? Maybe it's because our interests are so alike~~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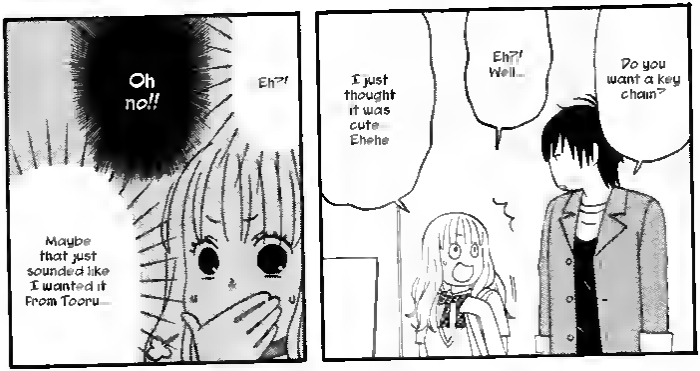
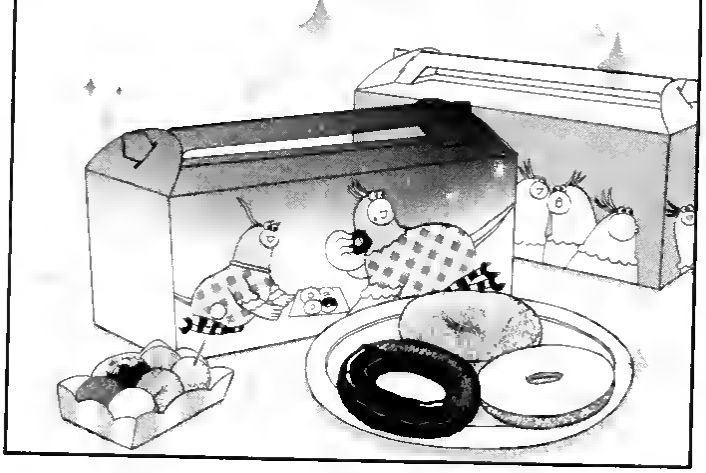
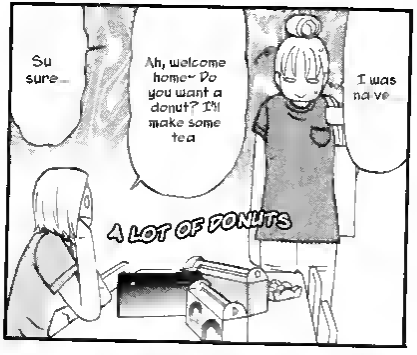
but it's nothing compared to the hand-
This is cute too,
150 POINTS
Deco donuts key chain
CHOCOLATE
WHITE
STRAWBERRY
200 POINTS
Chicken pouch

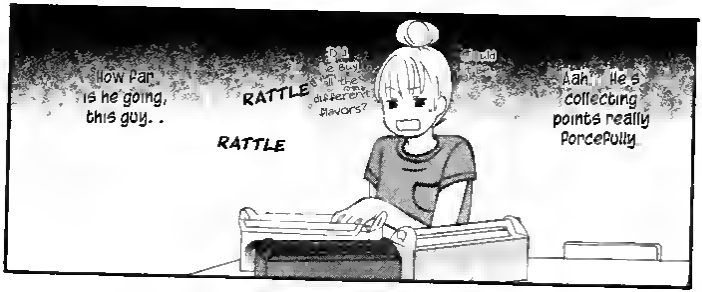

Oh no!!
Eh?!
Maybe that just sounded like I wanted it from Tooru...
I just thought it was cute Ehehe
Eh?! Well...
Do you want a key chain?

Le Let's go
pull
push
And Tooru didn't have a point card for this place, so it should be alright, right?
But that's something you can only get through point cards...



FuFuFu, who do you think bought all these donuts~?
I have an idea who it was even without asking~

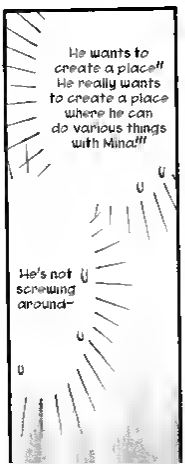

Su sure~
Ah, welcome home~ Do you want a donut? I'll make some tea
I was naïve
A LOT OF DONUTS


How far is he going, this guy...
RATTLE
Did he buy all the different flavors?
RATTLE
Aah... He's collecting points really PorcePully

賃貸ショップ
ひとり暮らし応援!!
はじめよう

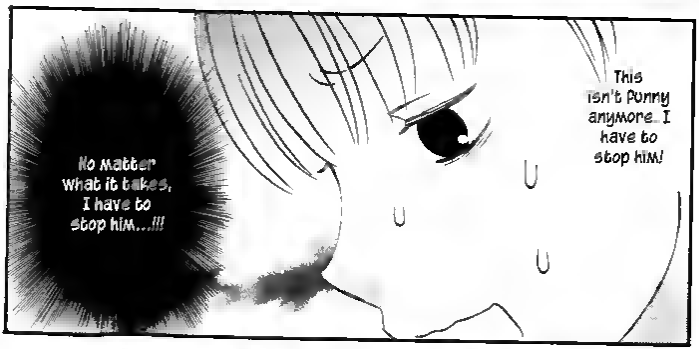
But well, when you compare it to the 10 000 Yen purse...
Hm...?

Ah, it seems like Tooru is thinking about living alone now
That a magazine For renting apartments What is that doing here?


He wants to create a place!! He really wants to create a place where he can do various things with Mina!!!
He's not screwing around~

What kind of Face is that?

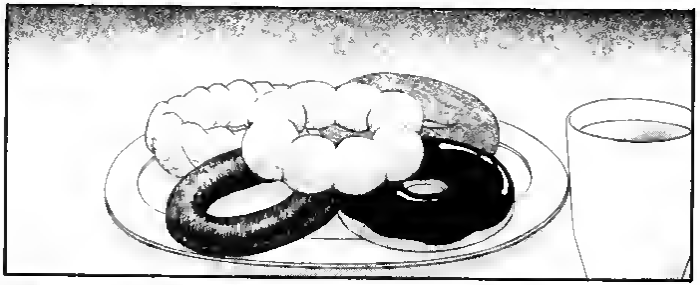
If he really moves out,
that'll cost way more money than that purse did...!!
Ugh...
Dammit... I didn't think my "woman who won't let him" plan would cause such a situation~~~!!


No matter what it takes, I have to stop him...!!!
This isn't funny anymore. I have to stop him!

Prevent it...
.....
Prevent it...
I have to work hard to prevent it...!!

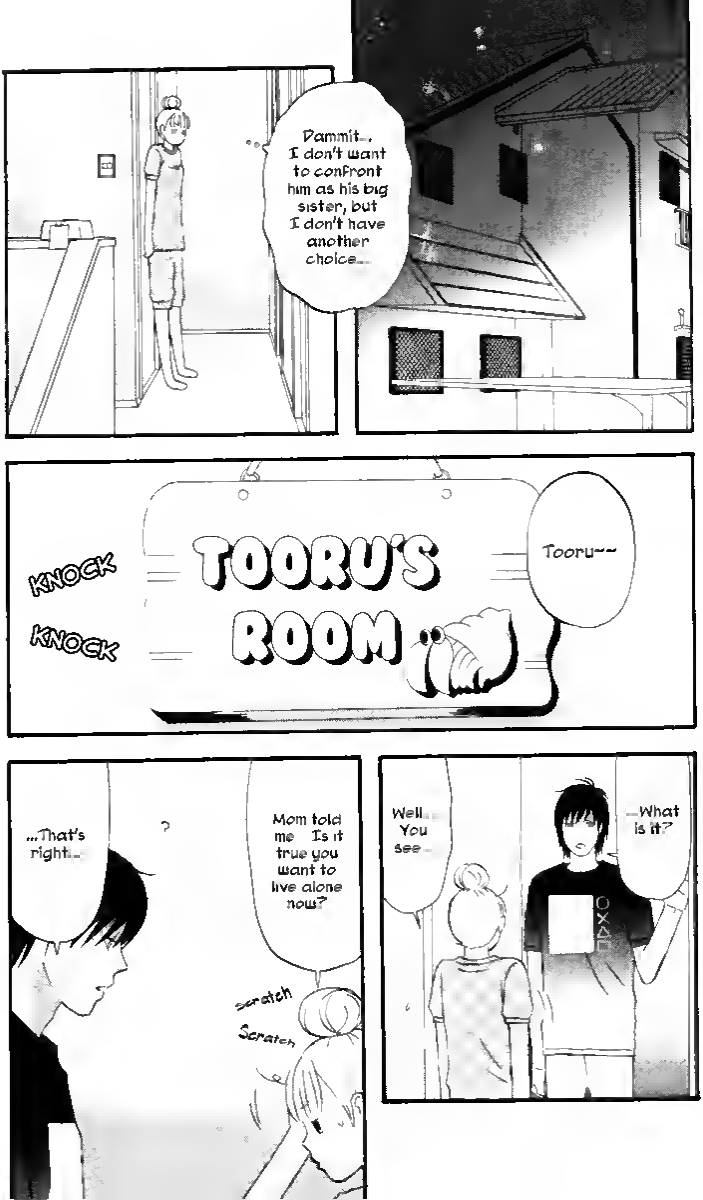
As long as he doesn't tell me he is thinking about living alone, I can't stop him.
Because... Well...
...Hey, don't you have something to tell me?
...? Why...?
But he didn't start talking about it, so maybe he isn't considering it anymore?
!!!
REALIZING
...For some reason he's smiling...
.....

He wants to surprise me with it...!!!
It's a surprise...
You... You stupid prankster~!!!

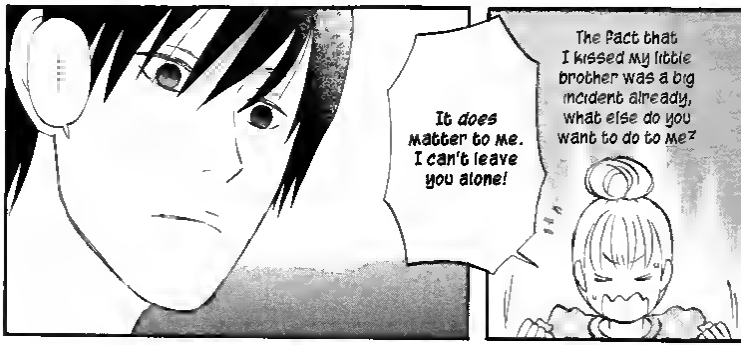


And he still didn't talk to Mina about him planning to live alone
Uhh...

HEY TOORU! STOP BUYING DONUTS ALREADY!
If nuts are getting to you
It doesn't seem like he wants to stop his donuts-attack either
Ure...


Dammit... I don't want to confront him as his big sister, but I don't have another choice...
KNOCK KNOCK
TOORU'S ROOM
Tooru~~
...That's right...
Mom told me Is it true you want to live alone now?
Scratch Scratch
Well... You see...
...What is it?

Are you stupid?! If I leave you alone now and let you move out, that'll endanger Mina's virginity!!
What I do shouldn't matter to you. Leave me alone.
Why are you doing that? It costs money and the university isn't very far from here, I don't get it.


It does matter to me. I can't leave you alone!
The fact that I kissed my little brother was a big incident already, what else do you want to do to me?

Isn't it strange for me to say that just now?
...Huh?

Erm... If you're having a hard time living here because of my obsession to cleaning...
I think... I can somewhat compromise!
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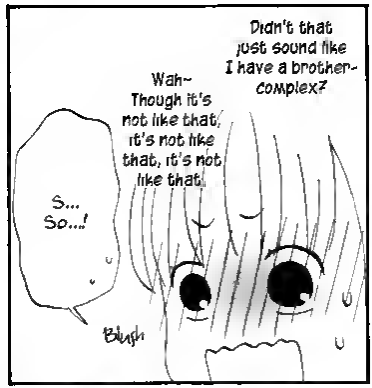
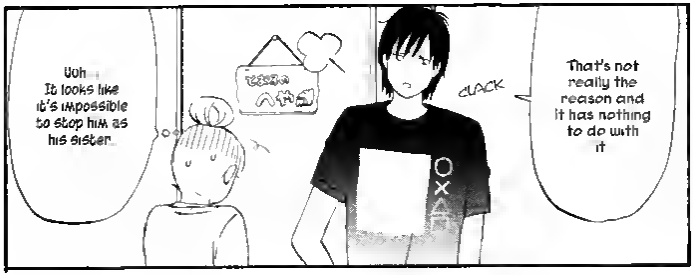
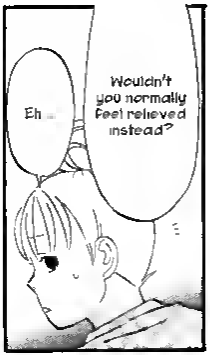
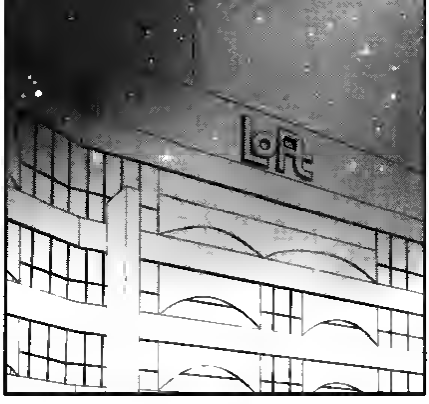

Didn't that just sound like I have a brother-complex?
Wah~ Though it's not like that, it's not like that, it's not like that!
S... So...!
Blush


That's not really the reason and it has nothing to do with it
CLACK
Uoh... It looks like it's impossible to stop him as his sister...


Wouldn't you normally feel relieved instead?
Eh...

When I leave this house, I mean.
The former me would surely have thought that way...
...Feel relieved, huh?
How strange...
What the heck? Then what am I thinking about now...?
SITS UP
Huh? The former me?

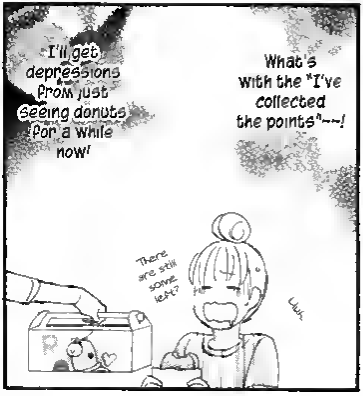
Meister Donut

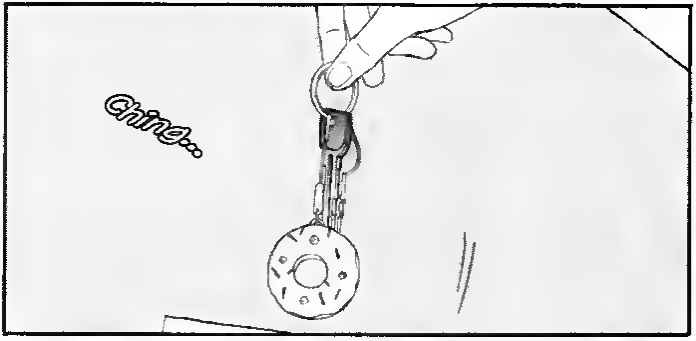

Loft

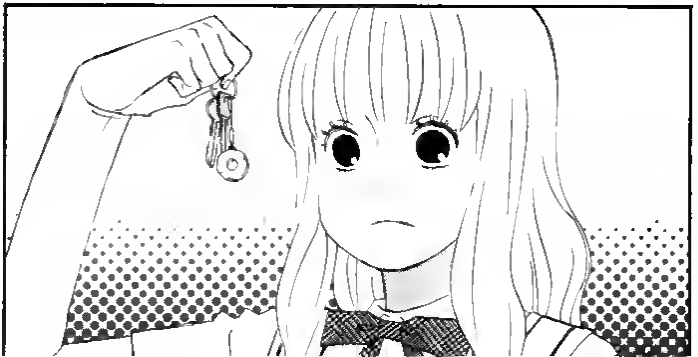
Wah... Here it comes...!
That reminds me, I've collected the points for the key-chain I'll give it to you

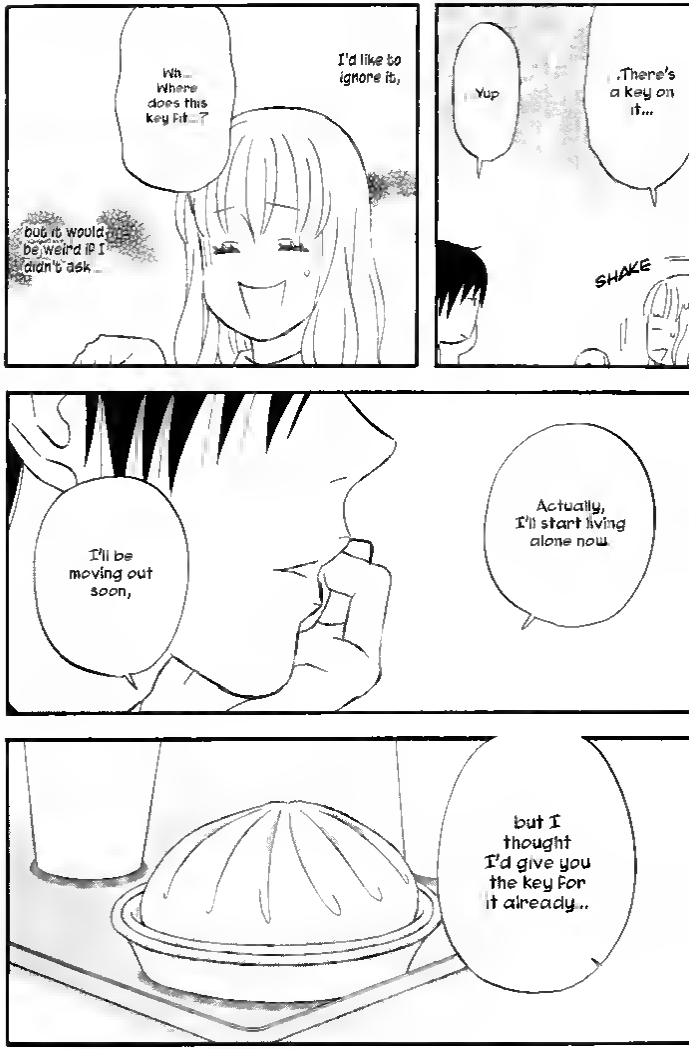
Because of those points my body weight has risen quite a bit!?
I know that I know that
Eh~? What, really??
Eh

Hurray~
Here you go
Well Nina doesn't know about this, so I can't be unhappy because of it

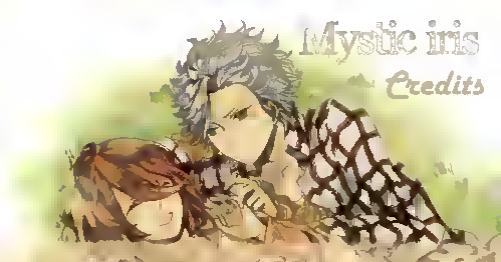

I'll get depressions from just seeing donuts for a while now!
What's with the "I've collected the points"~~!
There are still some left?
Uuh


Ching...




Wh... Where does this key fit...?
I'd like to ignore it,
but it would be weird if I didn't ask...
Yup
There's a key on it...
SHAKE
I'll be moving out soon,
Actually, I'll start living alone now.
but I thought I'd give you the key for it already...

You can come over anytime.
Takatsuki Minato, 20 years old My virginity is endangered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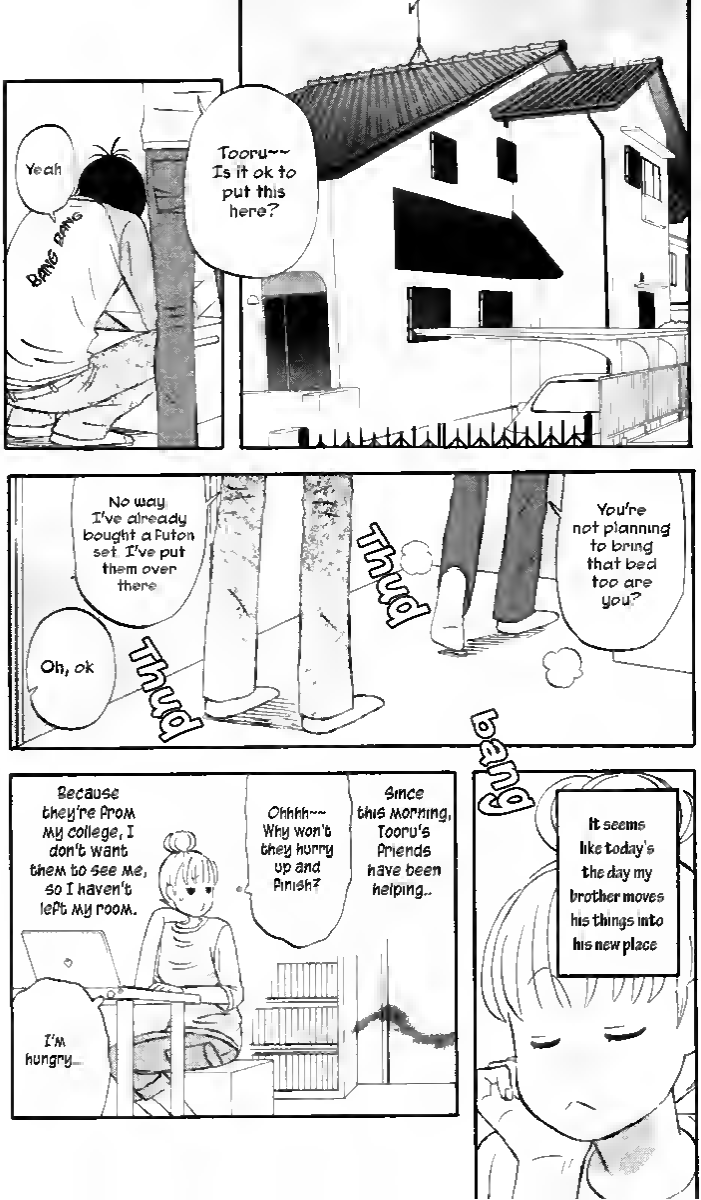
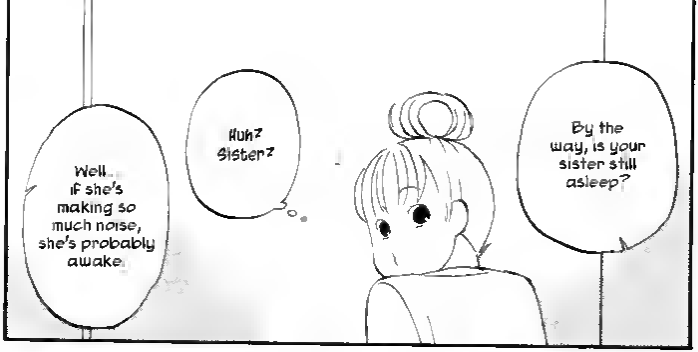
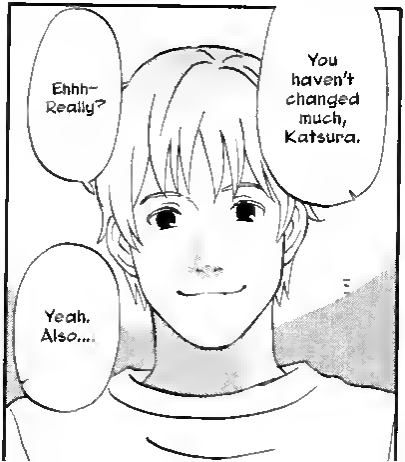
Chapter 10 ✖ I already know...

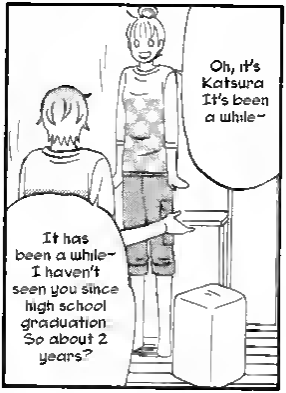
Previously
Takatsuki Minato
20 years old
Disguised as a high-school girl I am going out with my step-brother Tooru, but I really want to break up.
In order to go out with Karasuma who confessed to me, in operation "don't let him" Mina expects him to break up with her
Not in front of people. Not in public places. I'll just refuse to kiss him.
I've started living alone now.
He completely cutted off my retreat.
You can come over anytime.


Yeah
BANG BANG
Tooru~~ Is it ok to put this here?
No way I've already bought a Futon set I've put them over there
Thud
You're not planning to bring that bed too are you?
Thud
Oh, ok
bang
It seems like today's the day my brother moves his things into his new place
Since this morning, Tooru's friends have been helping...
Ohhhh~~ Why won't they hurry up and finish?
Because they're from My college, I don't want them to see me, so I haven't left my room.
I'm hungry...


By the way, is your sister still asleep?
Huh? Sister?
Well... if she's making so much noise, she's probably awake.

I'll go get her to help~ That way, we'll finish faster.
You're an idiot Katsura.
Sister~!

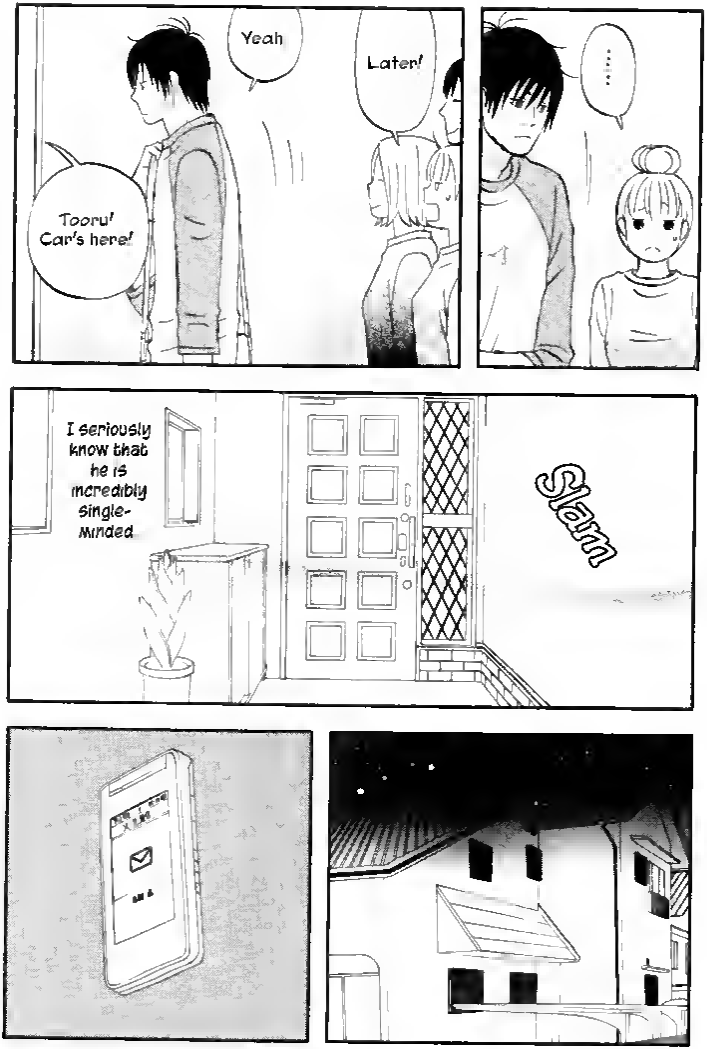

You haven't changed much, Katsura.
Ehhh~ Really?
Yeah. Also....


Oh, it's Katsura It's been a while~
It has been a while~ I haven't seen you since high school graduation. So about 2 years?

Whaat ~?
If you're here, you might as well help us move things.
Your obsession with cleanliness is just like you, it hurts.
Can you get out of my room soon?
He's got a favorite girlfriend!
You know, don't you?
Uhhh...
You understand, right? You've met a lot of them when they come here.
But you know a lot of things right? To do with Tooru's relationship with girls
If his girlfriend is a real person that is.
Oh that's... really good
He will definitely always stick to whoever it is, so you don't need to worry
Well, I'm already happy! Because I live on campus, I've only dabbled in relationships

You should at least have a photo~ Show me.
Hyaa~
He hasn't introduced me yet
How about you? Have you met her?
I haven't but...
No way She told me not to show it to other men
This is the last one. Let's rest in my room now.
Did you hear that? He's hogging all the excitement.
Tooru really makes you interested. I mean, she must be a really great girl.
I really don't think that's the case...

But I'm really happy for him.
Because everyone would fall in love with him, I felt sorry...
.....
I know that...
Well, being near him, you'll always see him picking up and dropping girls
It's the fault of what's below the waist that I can't understand, but he's not a bad guy.
Even though he's an idiot, he's innocent.
Please come back every once in a while.
Yeah.
It's ok even if it's just for dinner.
Yeah.


Yeah
Later!
Tooru! Car's here!
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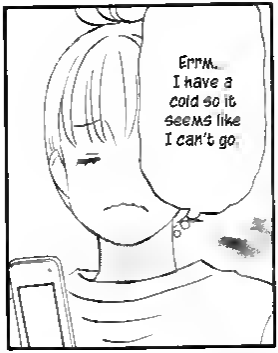
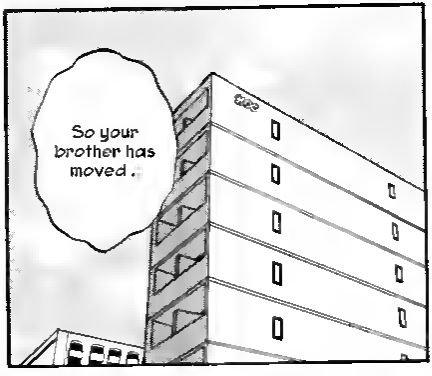
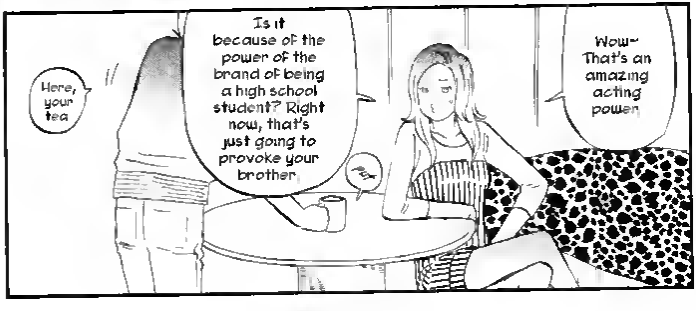
I seriously know that he is incredibly single-minded
Slam

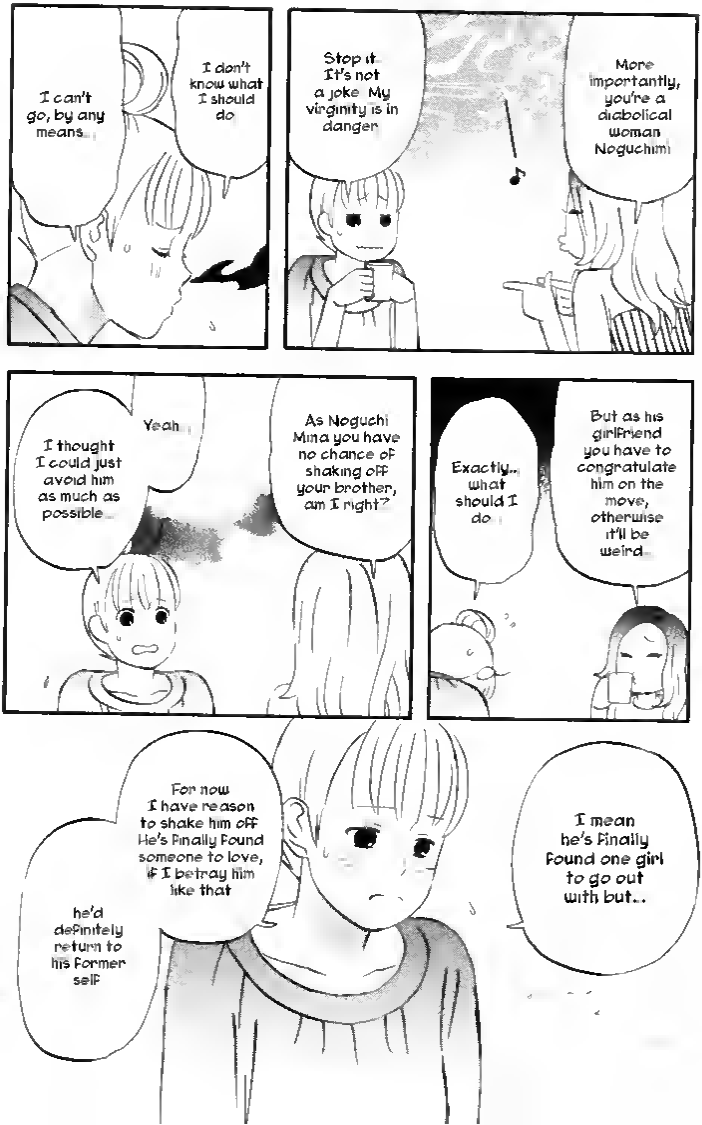

Errm.
I have a cold so it seems like I can't go

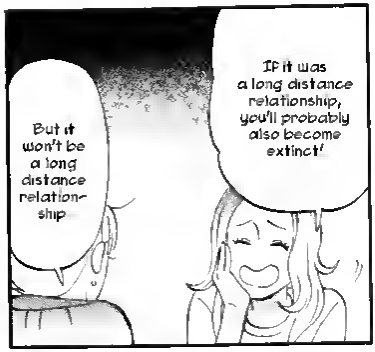
Oooh...
I got an invitation right away
I'VE FINISHED MOVING WHEN CAN YOU COME OVER?

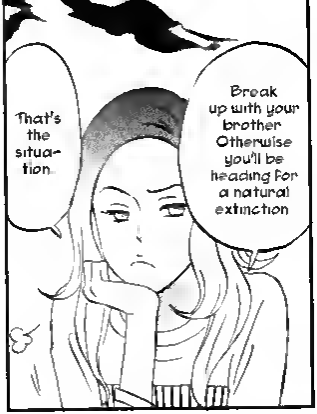

So your brother has moved.

What should I do...
But how long can I stretch that out for...


Here, your tea
Is it because of the power of the brand of being a high school student? Right now, that's just going to provoke your brother.
Wow~ That's an amazing acting power.

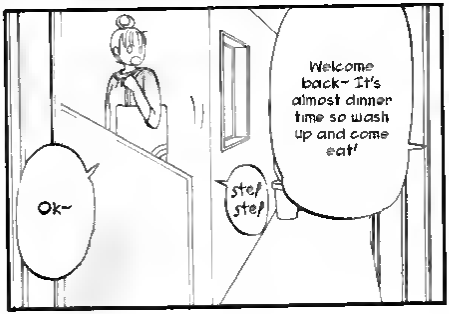

I can't go, by any means...
I don't know what I should do
Stop it. It's not a joke. My virginity is in danger
More importantly, you're a diabolical woman Noguchi!
I thought I could just avoid him as much as possible...
Yeah...
As Noguchi Mina you have no chance of shaking off your brother, am I right?
Exactly... what should I do
But as his girlfriend you have to congratulate him on the move, otherwise it'll be weird...
he'd definitely return to his former self
For now I have reason to shake him off. He's finally found someone to love, if I betray him like that
I mean he's finally found one girl to go out with but..


But it won't be a long distance relationship
If it was a long distance relationship, you'll probably also become extinct!

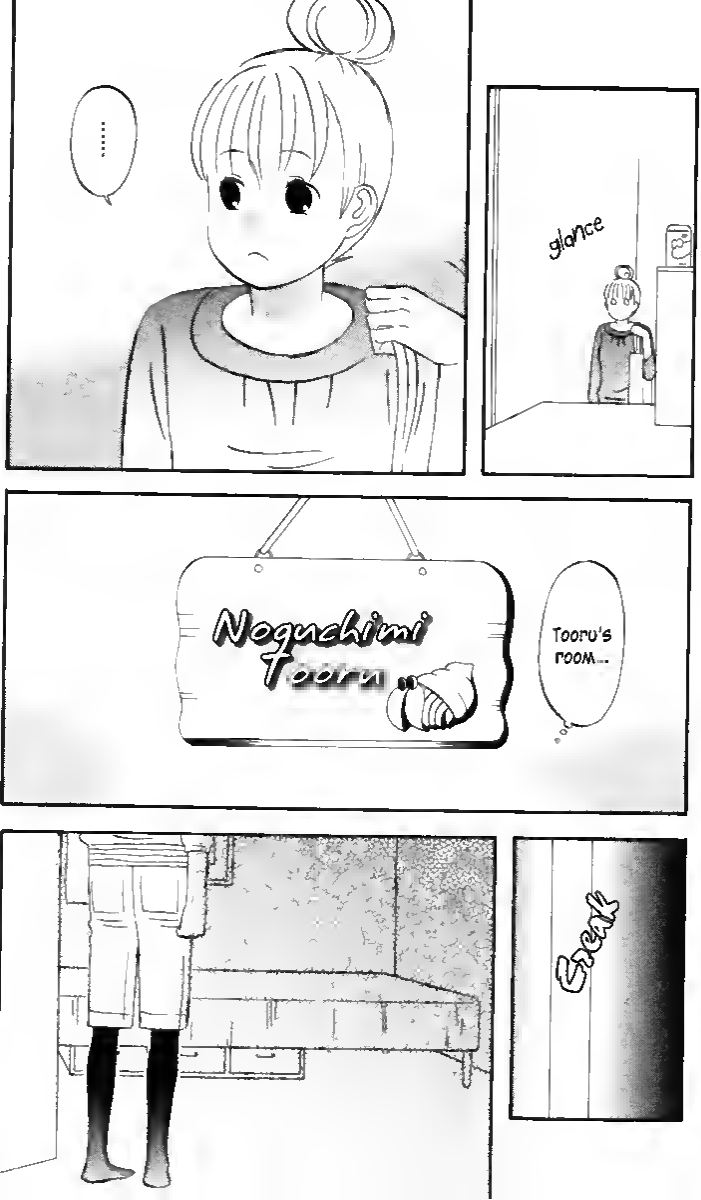

That's the situation
Break up with your brother Otherwise you'll be heading for a natural extinction

You're right. I'll try my best.
Well, going to congratulate him quickly on his move and then quickly coming back wouldn't be so bad, would it?

If I continue to neglect his messages, he'd probably stake out the nearest train station until he found me


Ok~
stef stef
Welcome back~ It's almost dinner time so wash up and come eat!

I'm home!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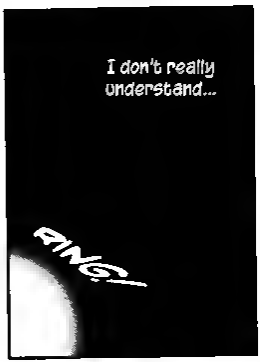
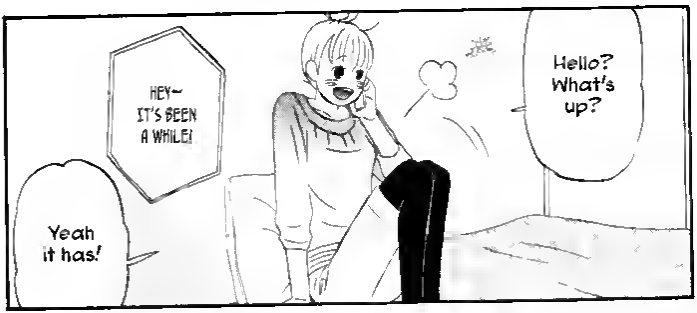
glance
Noguchimi Tooru
Tooru's room...
Creak

.....
What if you purified it?
Purified?

Ah! A call from Karasuma!


I don't really understand...
RING!


HEY~ IT'S BEEN A WHILE!
Hello? What's up?
Yeah it has!

Well, you know that photo album I returned before...
Will it be ok if I get it back soon?
Ah, I'm sorry!
I've had it all this time, is there a good time we can meet? I'll bring it with me
You need it right away
YOU DON'T HAVE TO RUSH
Oh, really?
YEAH.
I just thought it would be a good excuse to meet with you.
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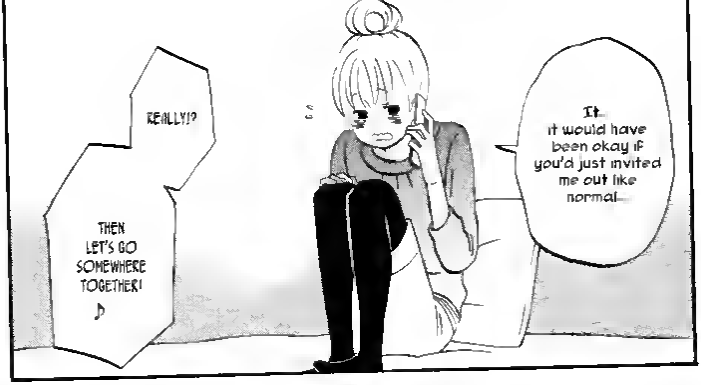
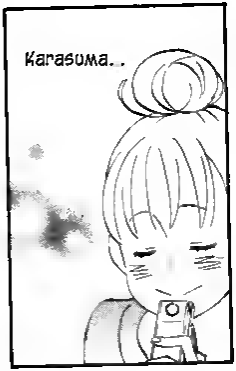
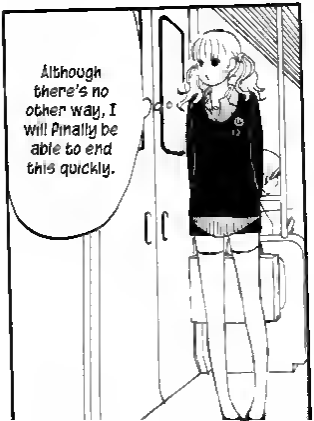
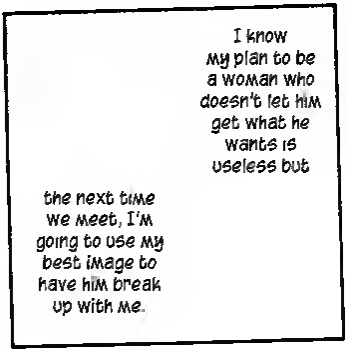

It...
it would have been okay if you'd just invited me out like normal...
REALLY!?
THEN LET'S GO SOMEWHERE TOGETHER! ♪

I'm a bit sad that I'm going out with my brother.
Wait for me. Because you're such a wonderful person


Karasuma..


Although there's no other way, I will finally be able to end this quickly.


I know my plan to be a woman who doesn't let him get what he wants is useless but
the next time we meet, I'm going to use my best image to have him break up with me.

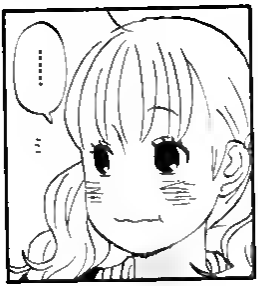
Mina!
Tooru~! Long time no see~!
How's your cold?
Apart from it being persistent in my throat, I'm fine!
I can still speak.
That's good

Wow! It's so clean! You really tidied up
It's wonderful
It's because I just moved here

As soon as I see the room, I'll say something like "let's go watch a movie!" Then we can leave.
I've finally arrived at the place Tooru is living alone

Yeah
"Congratulations on moving," is kinda strange, so let's just start eating

Here, your tea
Ahh! Thank you!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It really is a nice room with a nice feeling.
I'm a little jealous.

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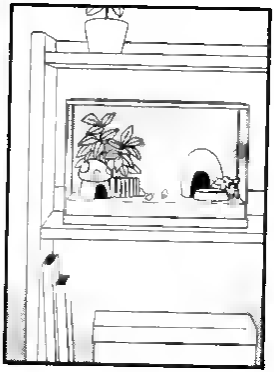
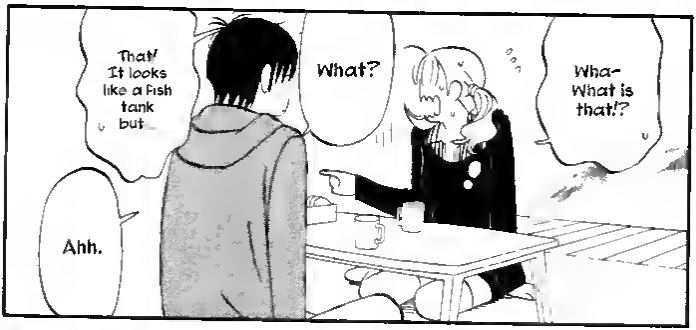
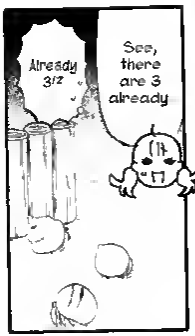
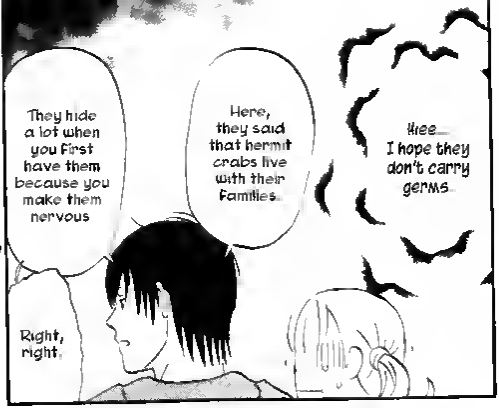



That! It looks like a fish tank but…
What?
Wha- What is that!?
Ahh.

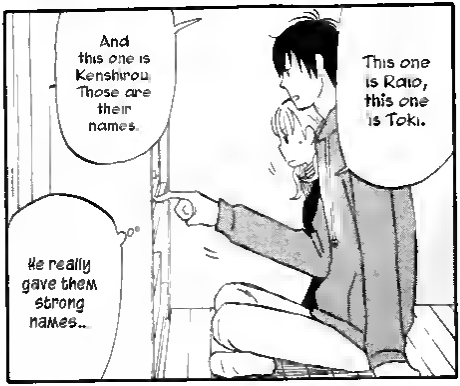
Yeah… that's because I just told you…
Ohhh… you recently got some!? This is the first I've heard about it!

They're hermit crabs. I got them recently
Hermit…?




They hide a lot when you first have them because you make them nervous
Here, they said that hermit crabs live with their families.
Hee... I hope they don't carry germs.
Right, right.

~ He surprised me. My caution almost went out the window.



What if it's too late!?
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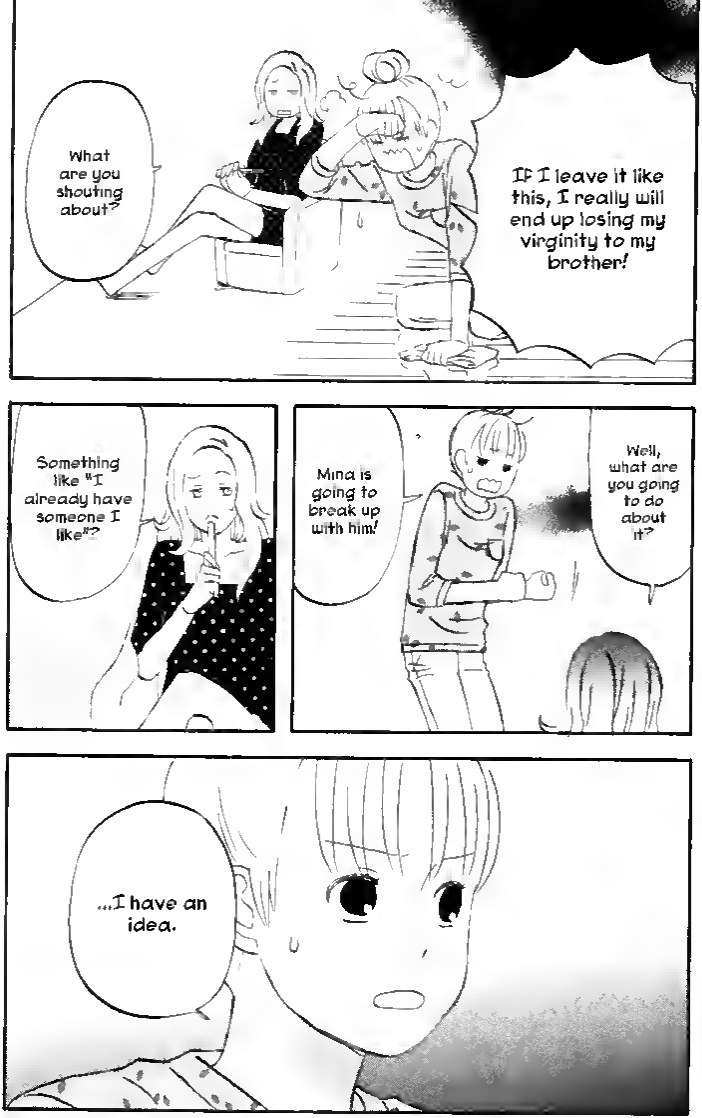
Hey... Isn't your face a bit too close?
That's because it's just the two of us..
Oh really...

Is it ok if I kiss you?
Ahh... I'M such an idiot. . I should have got out of the room before it got to this point.
No one can see us, and we're not in any public places, aren't we?
Yes but... I don't have a reason to refuse him because I'M his girlfriend.

No matter what, I have to stop this!
No. I mustn't give up! Karasuma is waiting for me!
I don't want to give it to Tooru. I just want to be safe today.
Ahh... but I might still have some of my cold left over...
Why does he have to do something so cute like kiss me on the cheek. I look like a child...
You're going to do it on the cheek?
Yeah.
Ok. Then I won't touch your mouth.

ah
Ah!?
No...
Huh?
Kiss
Kiss
Wait wait!
Ahhh...
Hey, stop!
Not on the ears or neck! I'm making weird noises!
But I think it was sounds cute
It-it's not cute!!
That's it! I'm at my limit!


What are you shouting about?
If I leave it like this, I really will end up losing my virginity to my brother!
Something like "I already have someone I like"?
Mina is going to break up with him!
Well, what are you going to do about it?
...I have an idea.

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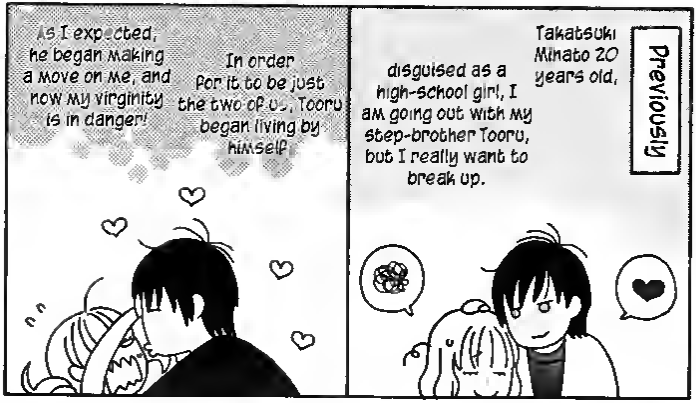
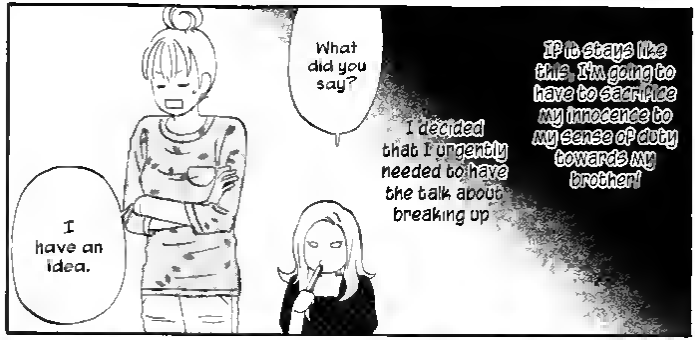
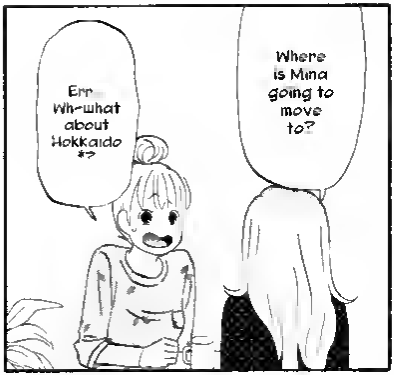

Previously
Takatsuki Minato 20 years old,
disguised as a high-school girl, I am going out with my step-brother Tooru, but I really want to break up.
In order for it to be just the two of us, Tooru began living by himself
As I expected, he began making a move on me, and now my virginity is in danger!


I have an idea.
What did you say?
I decided that I urgently needed to have the talk about breaking up
If it stays like this, I'm going to have to sacrifice my innocence to my sense of duty towards my brother!

YOU'RE GOING TO MOVE~!?



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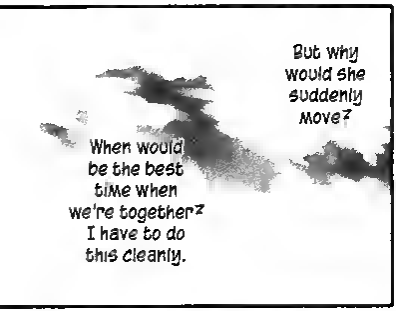

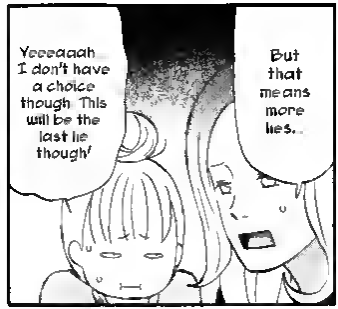

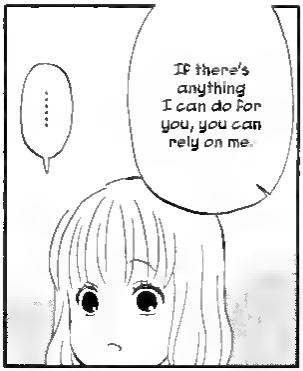
If there's anything I can do for you, you can rely on me.
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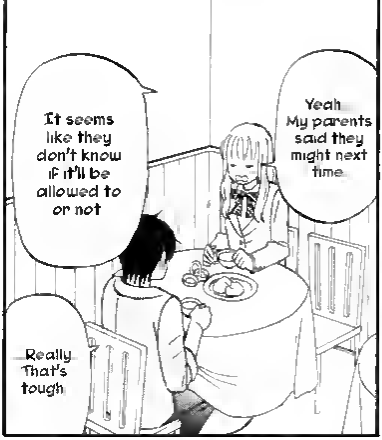
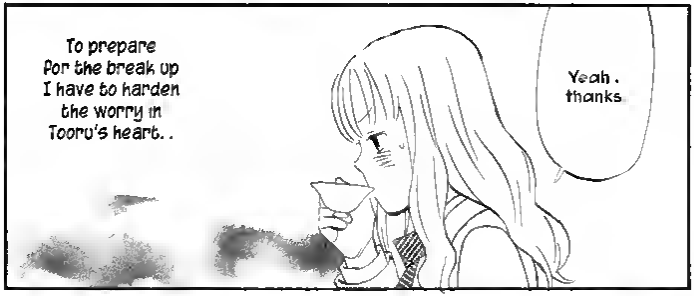
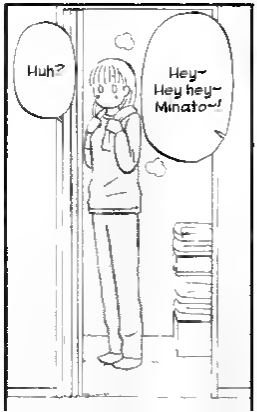
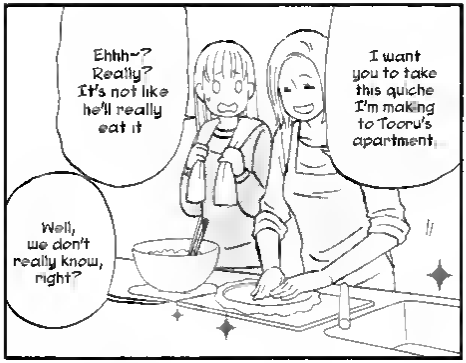
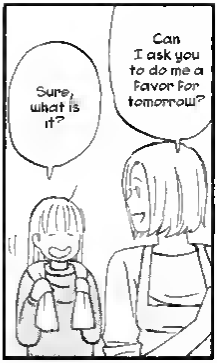

It seems like they don't know if it'll be allowed to or not
Yeah. My parents said they might next time.
Really. That's tough.

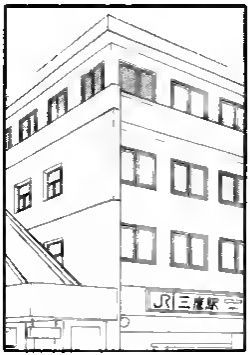

To prepare for the break up I have to harden the worry in Tooru's heart..
Yeah. thanks.


Huh?
Hey~ Hey hey~ Minato~!

I have to quickly and neatly break up with him and apologize to Tooru.


I want you to take this quiche I'm making to Tooru's apartment.
Ehhh~? Really? It's not like he'll really eat it
Well, we don't really know, right?


Can I ask you to do me a favor for tomorrow?
Sure, what is it?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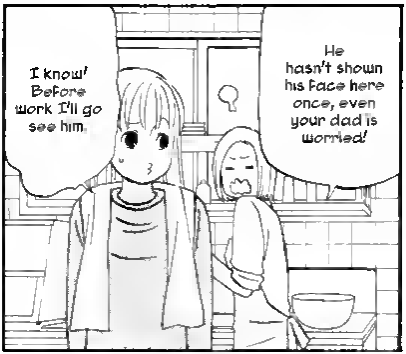
He hasn't shown his face here once, even your dad is worried!
I know! Before work I'll go see him.

Even though I got given a map, I've already had a meeting with him.
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Right
What should I do?
Would just pulling on the door be okz
He's not usually quietly in bed now is he?
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Shock
What are you doing?
Ah... Well...
about that...

Thanks
Ahh
Mom asked me to bring you this quiche
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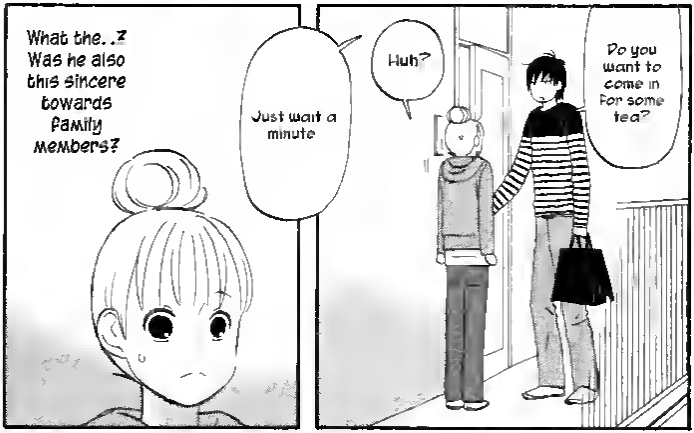
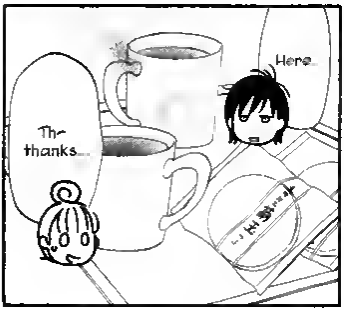
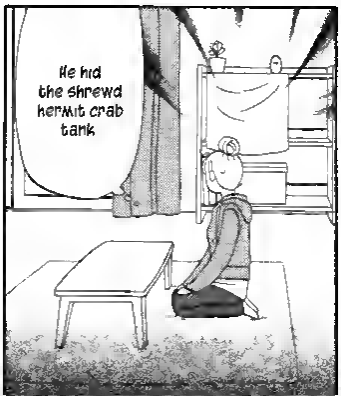

What the..? Was he also this sincere towards family members?
Just wait a minute
Huh?
Do you want to come in for some tea?


Here
Th- thanks…

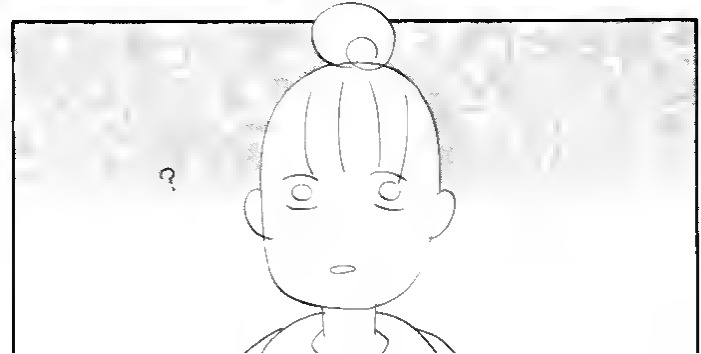

He hid the shrewd hermit crab tank

I have the feeling that the atmosphere between us has softened lately.
If he tells me about his girlfriend now, it will be really weird.
Ever since he's been going out with Mina, the atmosphere around Tooru has changed.
Oh yeah,
This is the treat that I've been carrying with me this whole time...
Hey..
Even his thoughts have changed positively.

Ooohh... he reminded me of that nightmare...
I did have my girlfriend over.
...Not just any friends but...
Did you invite any of your friends over yet?
.....
Yeah.
Surprisingly, your relationship seems to have continued
Wh-what kind of person is she?
Scoo yoooo know what'll happen when you reach your limit, right?
It seems as though you've fallen in love for real though.
Even as his sister, I didn't know...
Please stop being shy. To think you could be this awkward.
She's good. Pretty much the same as any other girl.

What happens?
?
I-I had this friend, right? She was super lovey-dovey with her boyfriend but then her boyfriend moved away
They started to have a long distance relationship but recently they suddenly broke up, so you know...

So you're saying that if my girlfriend moved, it would be good to follow her.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Despite that I can do it, one way or another.
Whaaaaaat!?
What's with this modern child and his vitality!?

Eh? Wait You-you'd follow her? What would you do about school?
And money? It would take a lot you know!
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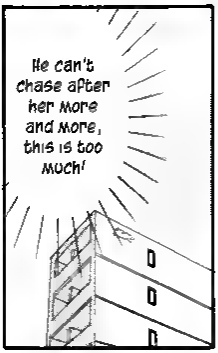
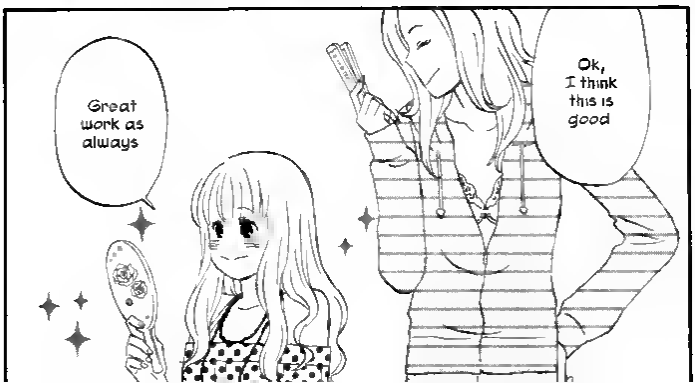
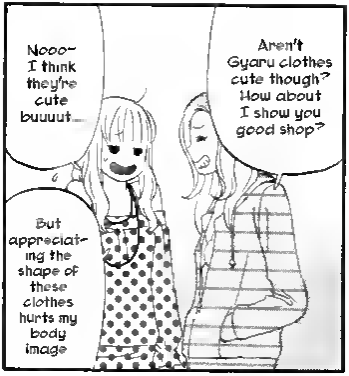
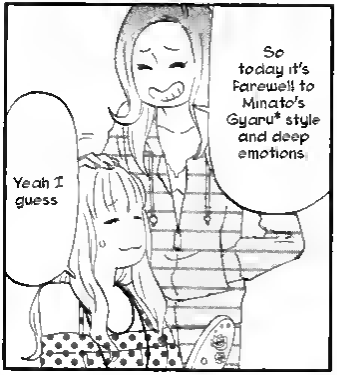

He can't chase after her more and more, this is too much!

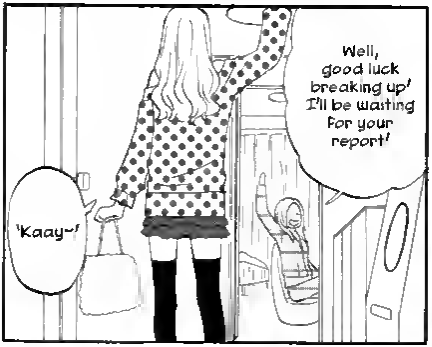
But until now, Tooru's movements have been to seriously pursue, but this is...
...It's not a normal move!!

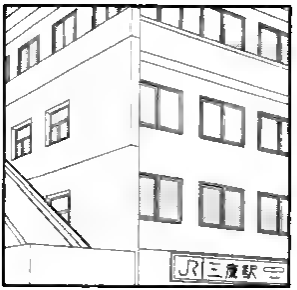

Great work as always
Ok, I think this is good

*Gyaru a style that typically consisted of dyed blond/light brown hair, tanning and a lot of make-up


Nooo~ I think they're cute buuuut...
Aren't Gyaru clothes cute though? How about I show you good shop?
But appreciating the shape of these clothes hurts my body image



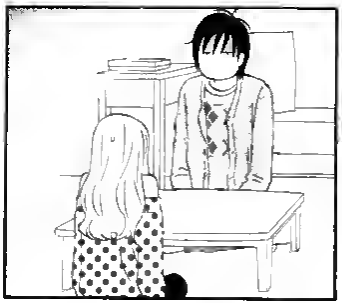


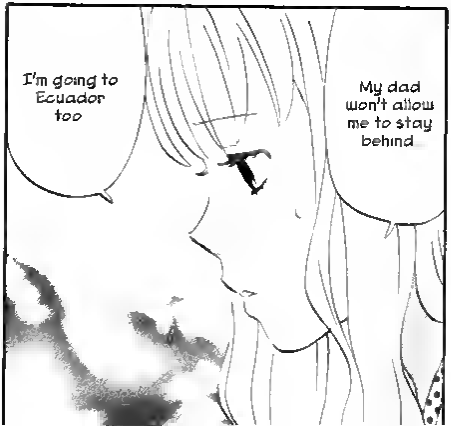


So what's so important?
This will be the last lie!
They've decided to move the family.
The truth is, recently my parents have been saying that the transfer is becoming serious...
Yeah... well... It's hard to say but...
E...
Well... that is...
To where?

Ecuador.

In South America
In South America?




I'm going to Ecuador too
My dad won't allow me to stay behind

Just like him to go quiet

Therefore... I want to break up.
.....
But I have to pull away!
I don't know if I'll come back and long distance relationship is out of the question
Of course he will hang on..!
I'll wait until you return!

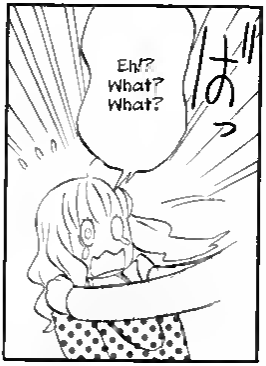
Owww...
This pain in my chest is not strange...
I'm really sorry, with all my heart
I'm serious
There's nothing I can do
Please Tooru let's break up
SILENCE
!
Drip
Drip
.. What an amazing silence.. Tooru...

DRIP
DRIP
I'm sorry Tooru! I'm really sorry...!
SHOCK
I I don't want to break up.
I'm really sorry I'm really sorry
HUG

I...
I love you.
.....

I really
wish I
didn't have
lied.
I'm
sorry
Tooru
That I hadn't
thought of this
stupid self-
protection...
That I'd
never dressed
up like a high
school girl...
I love you
too...
I'm really
sorry
Tooru...

Ah Eh...? Oh- Oh really?
This is the first time you've said you love me...


Eh!? What? What?
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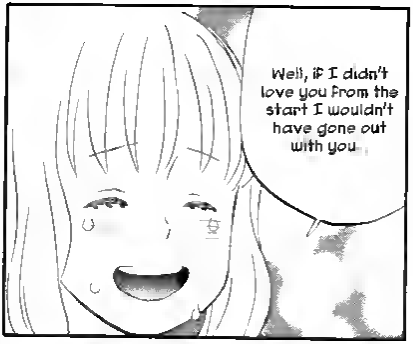
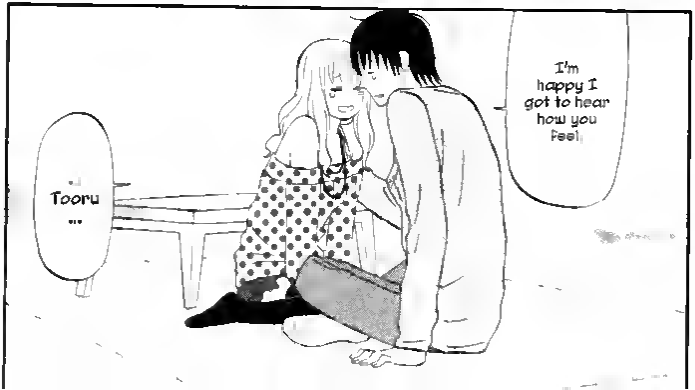

Well, if I didn't love you from the start I wouldn't have gone out with you...


I'm happy I got to hear how you feel.
...Tooru...

ah...

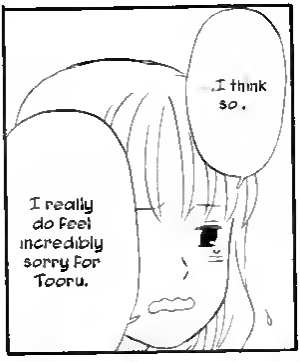
I'm sad but I'm also happy...

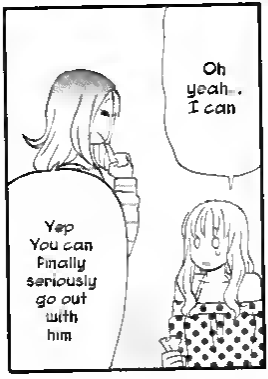
Of course I can't refuse him...

I'm sorry Tooru.
I'm really sorry.

EH?
WOW... YOUR FACE...
Ehh!? What is this!? What happened to my face!?
there were it ok?
But you really broke up and started crying...
Eh? Really?
Did you really ride the train back here with that face?
.....
You really got attached to him didn't you...

Waaah... But I'm not lying~! I'm seriouuuus~!
Fufufu...
Well, well, if I had responsibility-fueled cosplay like yours...
I'm gonna cry again! I'm gonna cry again!


I think so.
I really do feel incredibly sorry for Tooru.


Oh yeah... I can
Yep You can finally seriously go out with him

Hey,
at least now you can go out with Karasuma.
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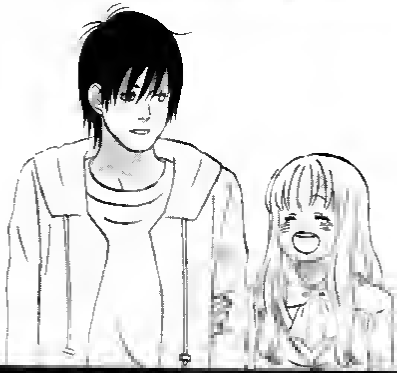
Yeah, you're right...
You know?
You can officially get your first boyfriend!

Because we've finally broken up...

I don't have to pretend to be someone I'm not.



I'm surprised, I didn't think I'd be this concerned.

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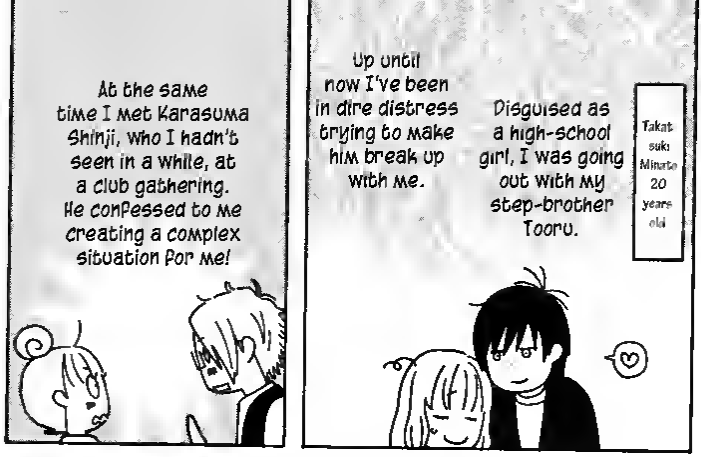
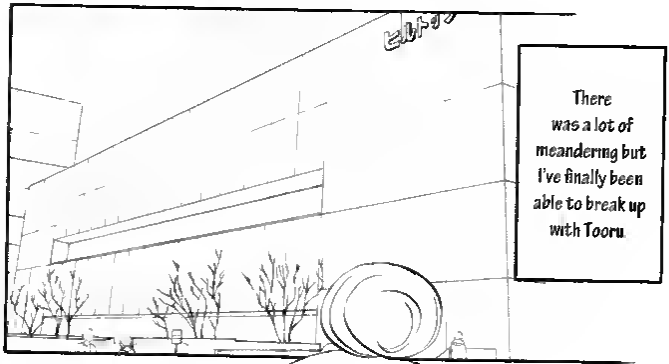
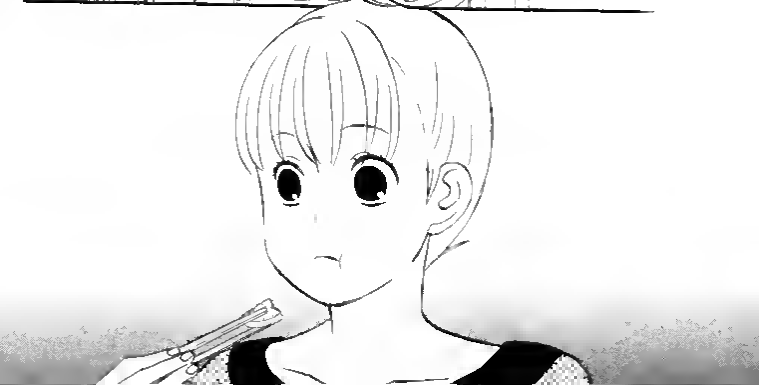
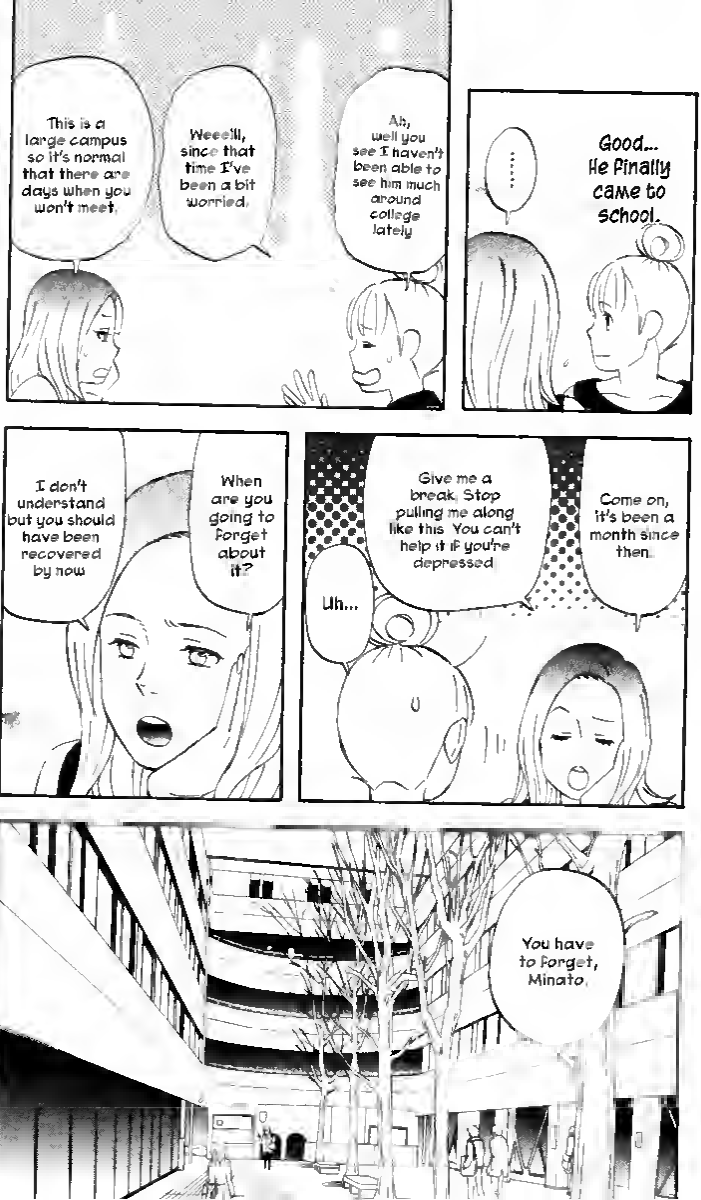
Chapter 12 ✕ I won't forget


Takatsuki Minato 20 years old
Disguised as a high-school girl, I was going out with my step-brother Tooru.
Up until now I've been in dire distress trying to make him break up with me.
At the same time I met Karasuma Shinji, who I hadn't seen in a while, at a club gathering. He confessed to me creating a complex situation for me!

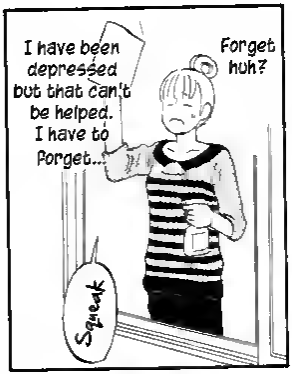

There was a lot of meandering but I've finally been able to break up with Tooru.

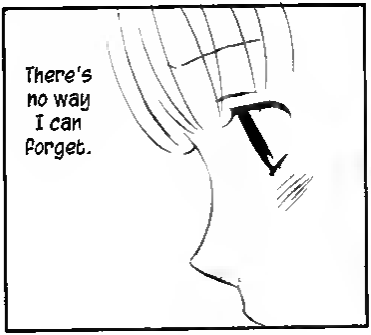


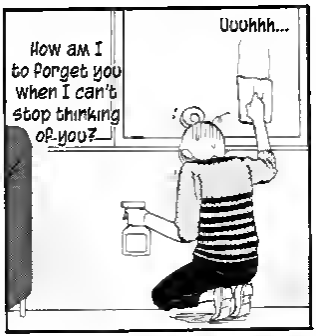
Who are you looking for?
Eh? Ah... no one in particular.
.....
If you're looking for your brother, he's over there
Eh? Really?

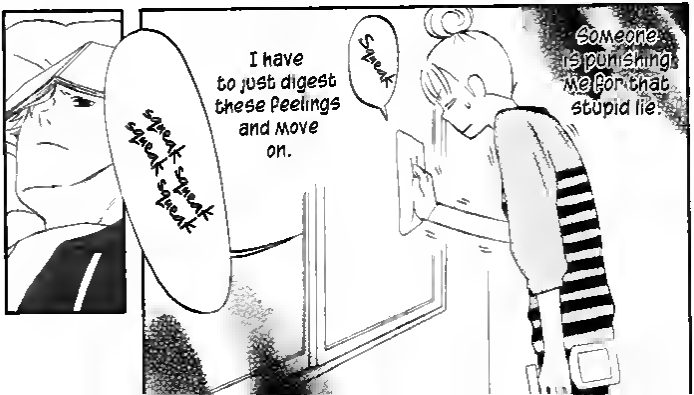

This is a large campus so it's normal that there are days when you won't meet.
Weeell, since that time I've been a bit worried.
Ah, well you see I haven't been able to see him much around college lately
.....
Good... He finally came to school.
I don't understand but you should have been recovered by now
When are you going to forget about it?
Give me a break. Stop pulling me along like this. You can't help it if you're depressed
Uh...
Come on, it's been a month since then.
You have to forget, Minato.

"I...
love you."


I have been depressed but that can't be helped. I have to forget...
Forget huh?
Squeak


There's no way I can forget.


How am I to forget you when I can't stop thinking of you?
Uoohhh...


squeak squeak squeak squeak
I have to just digest these feelings and move on.
Squeak
Someone is punishing me for that stupid lie.

Ah Tsuguchi Senpai
Uwah!
You're being so loud...
It's not much of an honor that you know that much...
You clean in here about once every month
It's ok to be cleaning in here but can you do it somewhere else?
Fairly
Was I really loud?
Wahh~~ I'm so sorry! I thought I was the only one here!
So...so sorry
You don't have to stop you know...
I thought it was ok so I wanted to continue
That's
Jeez... You normally do it from the floor to the ceiling, even behind the shoes, so I notice when you're in here

Hey
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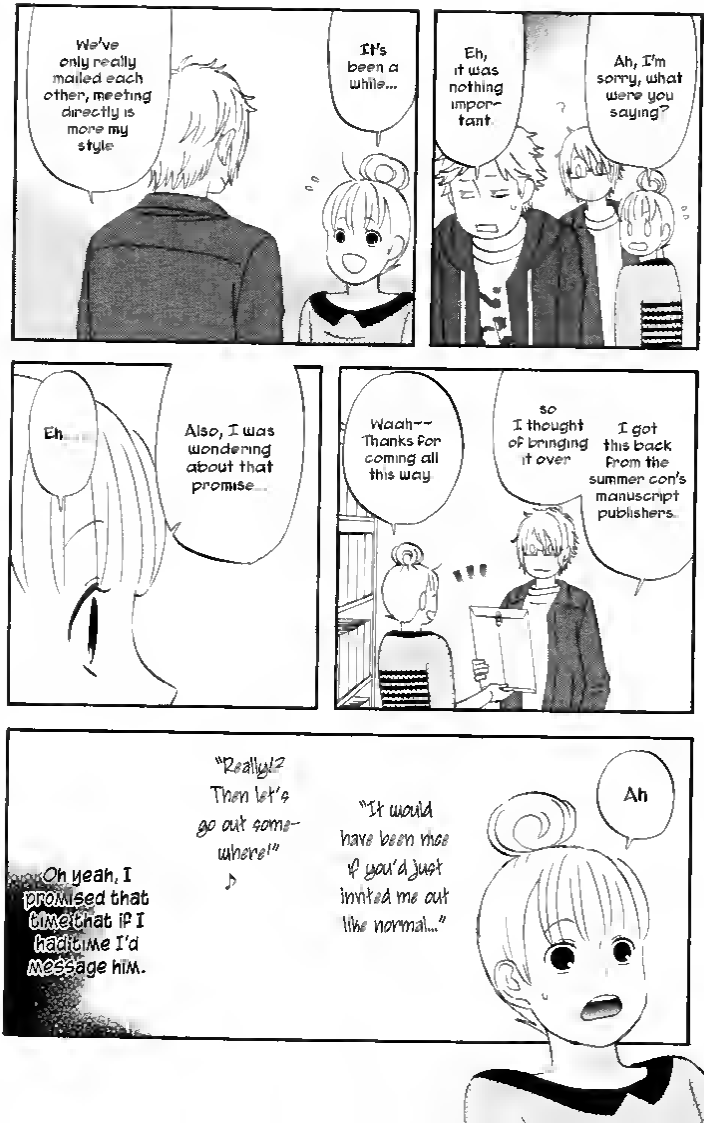
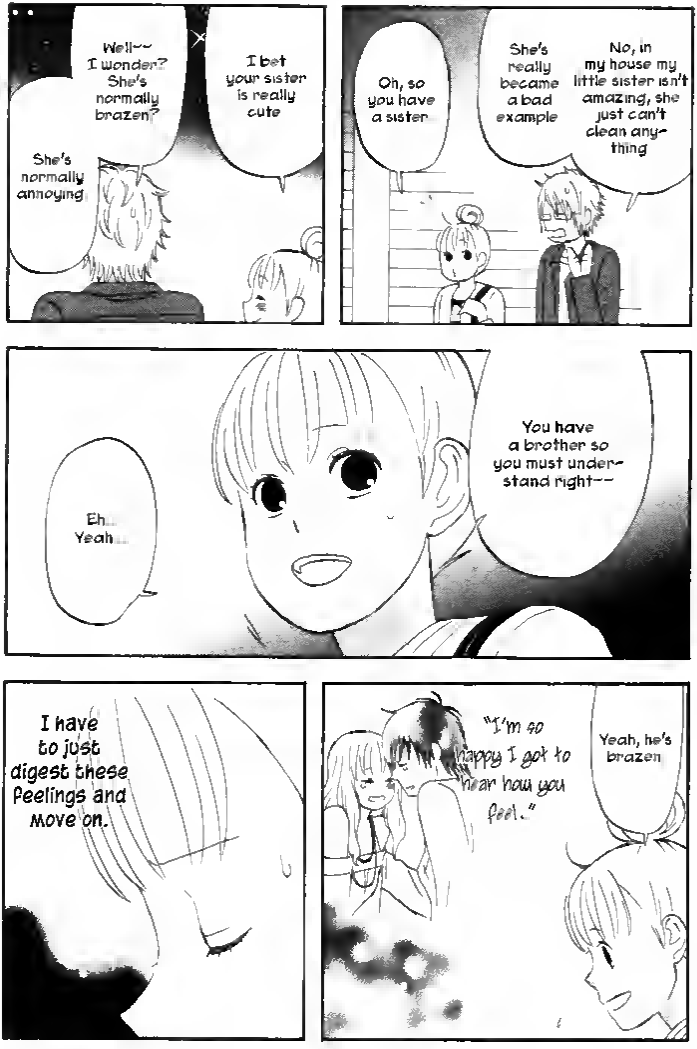
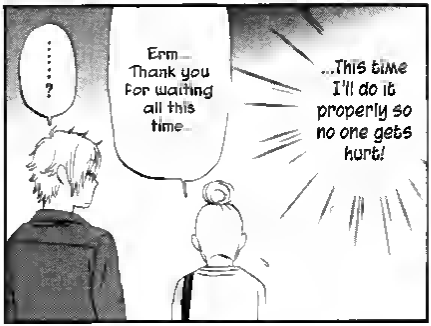
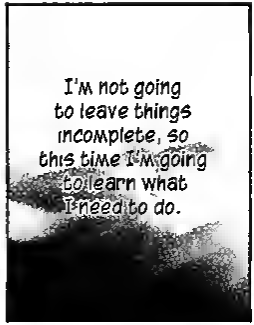
I have to stop pretending to clean the window
knock knock
You've interested me for a while but…how do I say it?
Hey~! Hope I'm not interrupting
Karasuma!
Hello~


We've only really mailed each other, meeting directly is more my style
It's been a while...
Eh, it was nothing important
Ah, I'm sorry, what were you saying?
Eh...
Also, I was wondering about that promise...
Waah~~ Thanks for coming all this way
so I thought of bringing it over
I got this back from the summer con's manuscript publishers.
Oh yeah, I promised that time that if I had time I'd message him.
"Really!? Then let's go out somewhere!" ♪
"It would have been nice if you'd just invited me out like normal..."
Ah

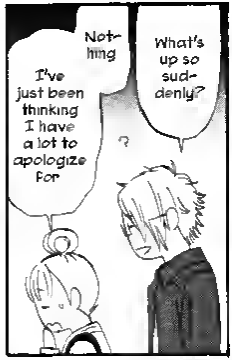
I have to properly think about Karasuma now
I'll wait until Ube is fine with it.
I'm... I'm sorry. I've been a bit distracted
Uaahh... Ever since I broke up with Tooru I've been so absent minded I didn't message him. He was probably worried about me.
Eh? R-really?
Once a month, eh?
...Oh is that right? So is that why you're always cleaning that room?
Ah-haha That's not suspicious at all...
AH! But my own room isn't really that bad you know?
I'm really bad at cleaning so dirt collects and it gets kinda bad...
To me it's really something amazing
Is it because of some special cleaning list or something?
Eh---?

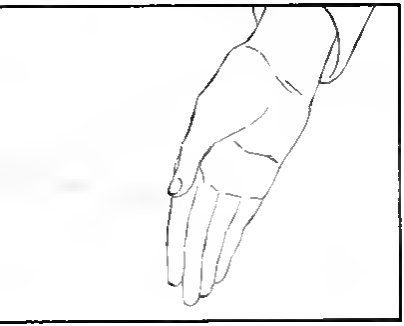

I bet your sister is really cute
Well~~ I wonder? She's normally brazen?
She's normally annoying
Oh, so you have a sister
She's really became a bad example
No, in my house my little sister isn't amazing, she just can't clean anything
You have a brother so you must understand right--
Eh... Yeah...
I have to just digest these feelings and move on.
"I'm so happy I got to hear how you feel."
Yeah, he's brazen


.....?
Erm... Thank you for waiting all this time...
...This time I'll do it properly so no one gets hurt!


I'M not going to leave things incomplete, so this time I'M going to learn what I need to do.

I'm Fine with waiting longer, ok?
You don't need to worry. I will wait for you to like me.


What's up so suddenly?
Nothing
I've just been thinking I have a lot to apologize for



Huh? Why's that? Are you rethinking?
Yeah... Thanks. I'm happy

I thought I'd say... Please take care of me...

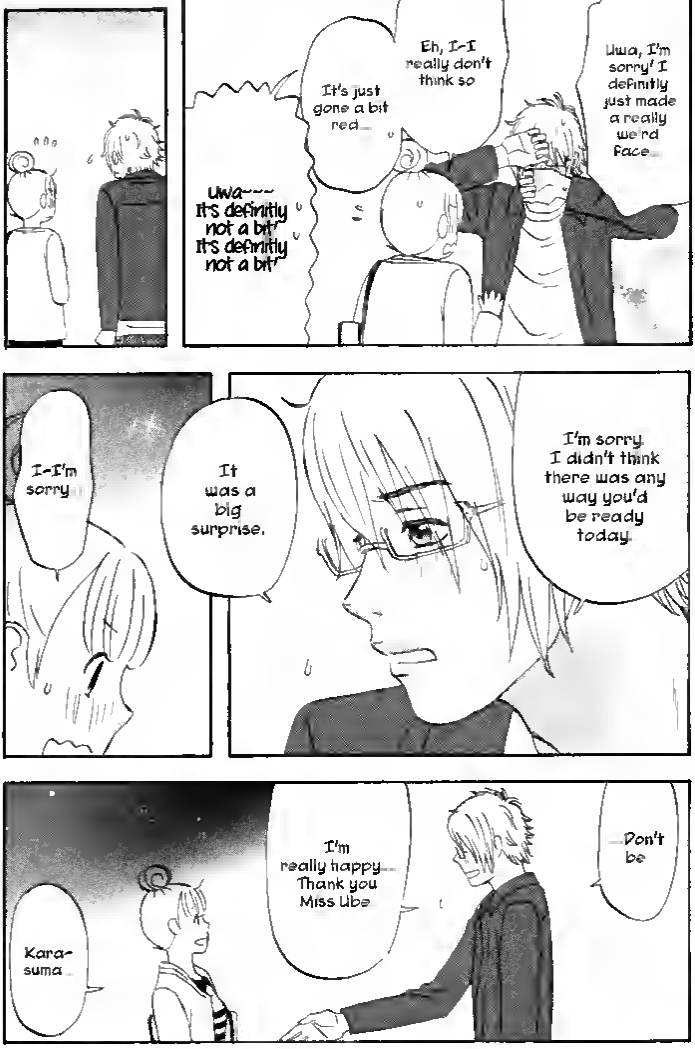
Well...
...?
What's this? A hand-shake?

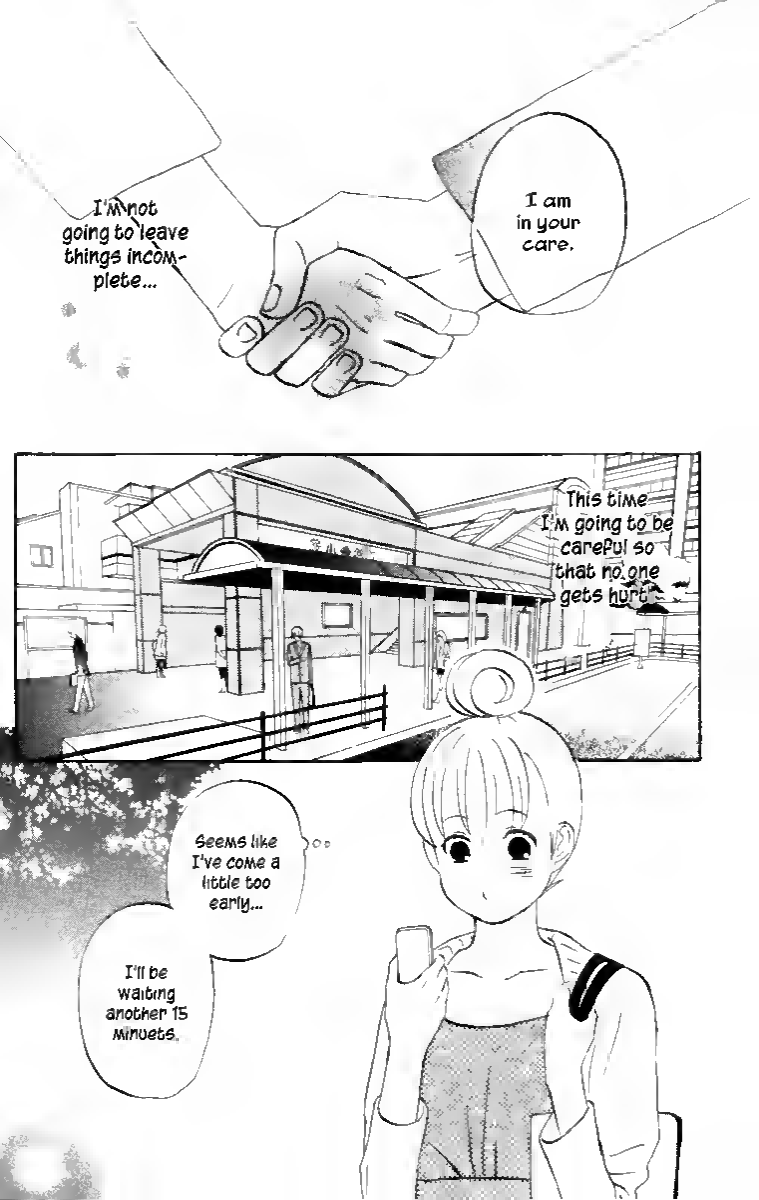
You mean... You don't mind going out with me?
This hand is...?
Well yes, but from your point of view I wouldn't say it like that, but
Ah ha ha

.....

Eh?

.....
Ah


Uwa, I'm sorry! I definitly just made a really weird face...
Eh, I-I really don't think so
It's just gone a bit red...
Uwa~~~ It's definitly not a bit! It's definitly not a bit!
I'm sorry. I didn't think there was any way you'd be ready today.
It was a big surprise.
I-I'm sorry...
Don't be
I'm really happy... Thank you Miss Ube
Kara-suma...


I'm not going to leave things incomplete...
I am in your care.
This time I'm going to be careful so that no one gets hurt.
Seems like I've come a little too early...
I'll be waiting another 15 minuets.

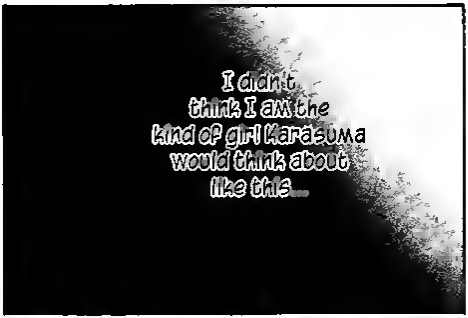
Eh, Karasuma Wa~~ I'm sorry! Did I make you wait long?
Hey~
Not at all
R-really...
So I got up extra early
Well... This's officially our first date and I thought you would be a bit enthusiastic
You don't really change that much do you?
Y-Yeah!
Shall we go?
This is my first date. Thinking that is a little embarrassing...

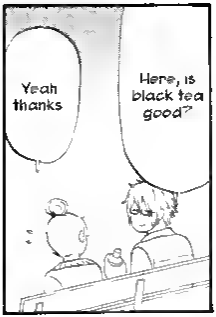
Where shall we go? I'm letting you choose first
Hmm~ If I have to be selfish then there's not really anywhere I can think of going to...
I'm happy as long as you're happy
Eh~~ Where shall we go?
Ooooohhh~~ Edo Tokyo Building Park!
...You look like you'll enjoy yourself
Of course!

But more important than that...
Our interests are perfectly matched!
It's great that I can come to places like this with Kurasuma.
.....
I'm glad you're having fun!

He's such a good person, he really is too good for me...

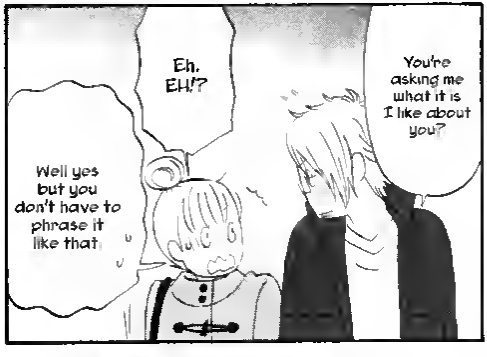
Are you thirsty? I'll go buy you something from the vending machine
a hot one
Ah, thank you!


I didn't think I am the kind of girl Karasuma would think about like this...


Here, is black tea good?
Yeah thanks

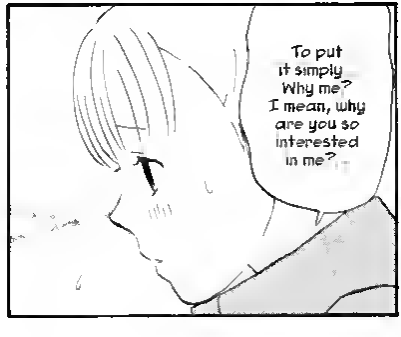
What is it you find interesting about me?

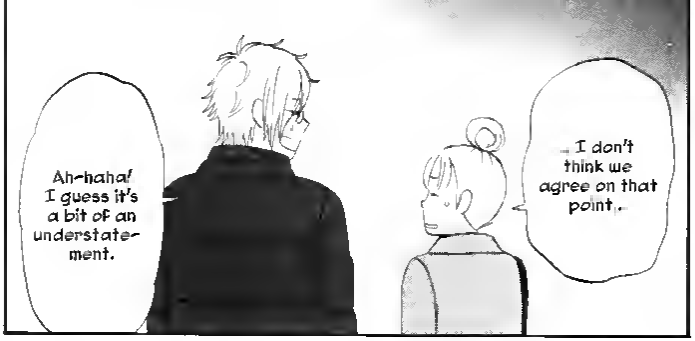
Yes?
Er... I have something I want to ask you...

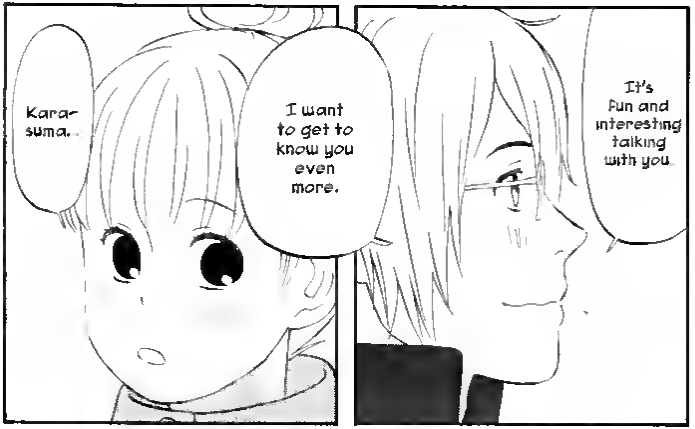

Eh, EH!?
You're asking me what it is I like about you?
Well yes but you don't have to phrase it like that...

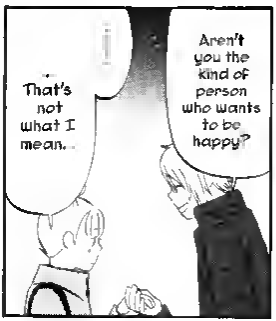
That's...

I'm cute??
Hmm~~ I wonder why? You're cute...?


To put it simply... Why me? I mean, why are you so interested in me?...


Ah-haha! I guess it's a bit of an understatement.
...I don't think we agree on that point...


Kara-suma...
I want to get to know you even more.
It's fun and interesting talking with you.

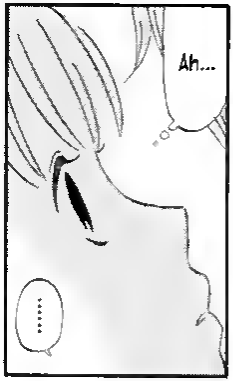

Aren't you the kind of person who wants to be happy?
...That's not what I mean...

I'm not the kind of girl you can be happy with!
I-I have a few bad things too. I'm wicked, you know? I'm a bad girl!
Why's that?

I don't think I'm the kind of person who can make people happy
You know it's ok to have confidence in yourself
?
Spending time like this with you makes me happy.
Kara-suma...
I'll walk you home

?
Oh, wait a bit

Yeah...
I'll see you later.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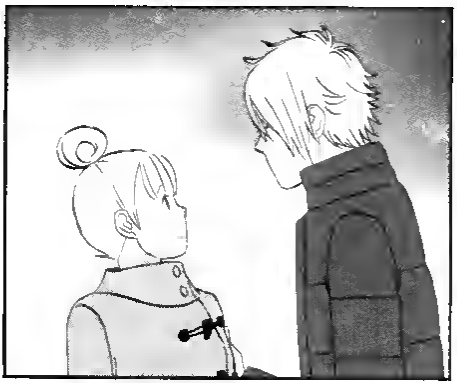
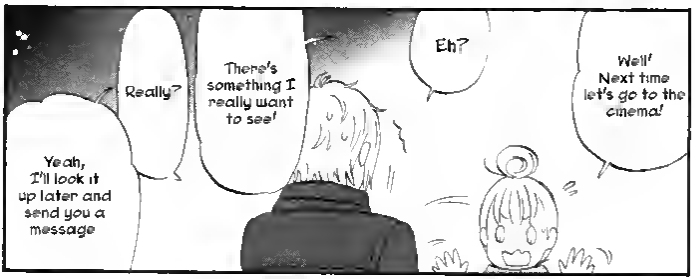
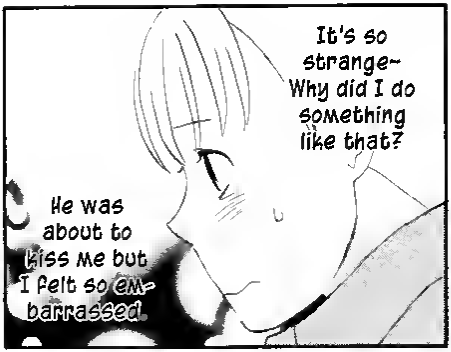
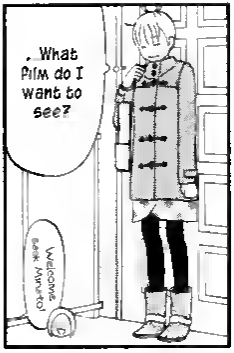
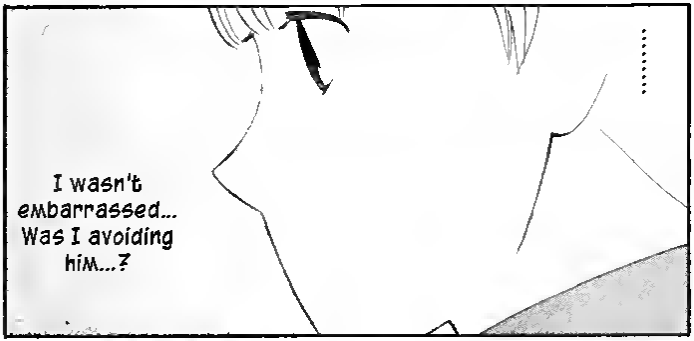



Really?
There's something I really want to see!
Eh?
Well! Next time let's go to the cinema!
Yeah, I'll look it up later and send you a message







Can I say that I can care for Karasuma with these feelings?

I have to get over Tooru...
I really thought it was important to not leave things incomplete but...
Hey! You're late big sis!
Eh? Katsura? Why are you here?
What is it? If you want Tooru he's not here anymore
...It's become such a big thing so your mom wouldn't say anything to me but...
What? What?
For now let's go to your room
Heyheyhey I've got something I want to discuss with you
Eh...
I haven't heard from Tooru at all lately. Have you heard anything?

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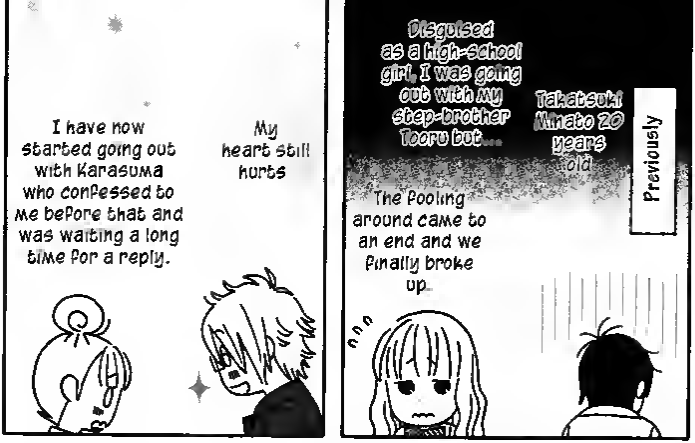
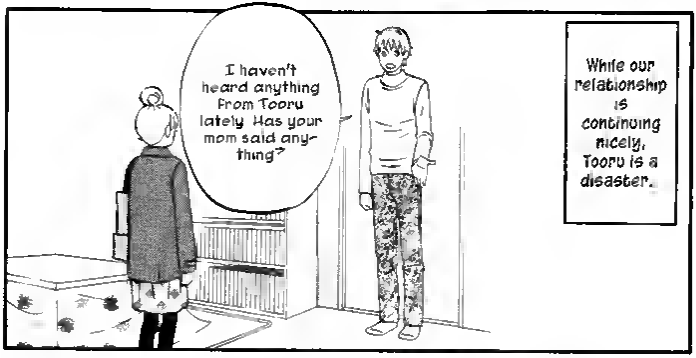
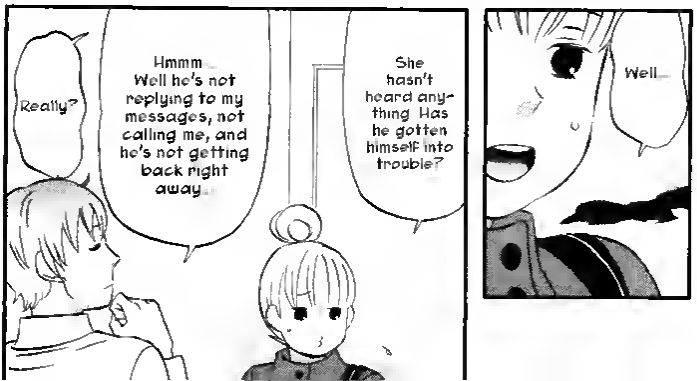
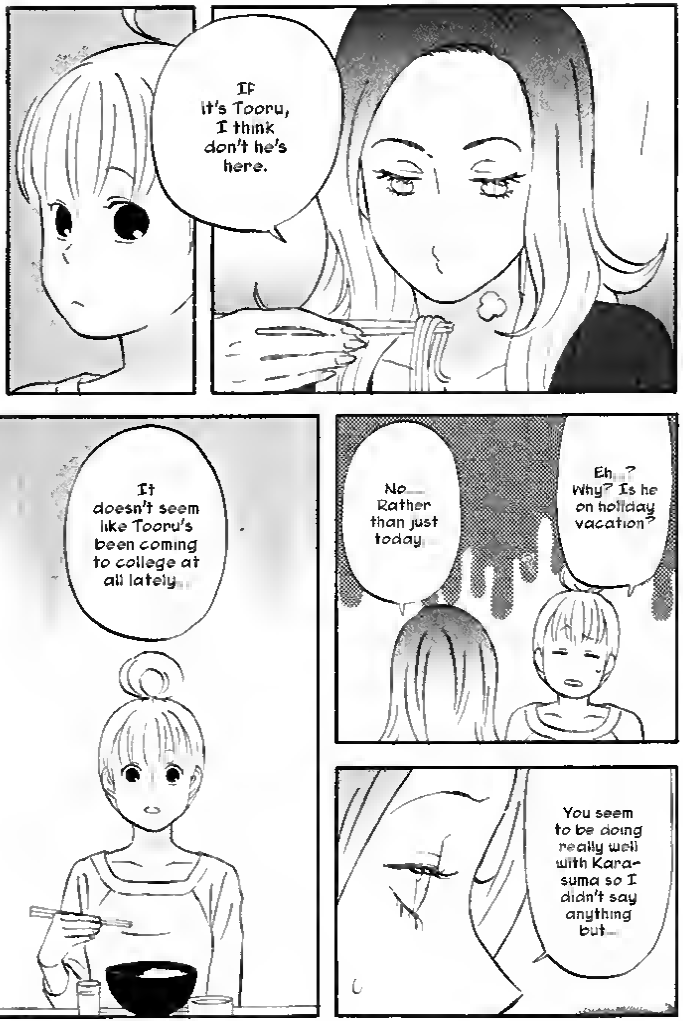

Previously
Takatsuki Minato 20 years old
Disguised as a high-school girl, I was going out with my step-brother Tooru but...
The fooling around came to an end and we finally broke up.
My heart still hurts
I have now started going out with Karasuma who confessed to me before that and was waiting a long time for a reply.


While our relationship is continuing nicely, Tooru is a disaster.
I haven't heard anything from Tooru lately. Has your mom said anything?


Really?
Hmmm... Well he's not replying to my messages, not calling me, and he's not getting back right away...
She hasn't heard anything. Has he gotten himself into trouble?
Well...

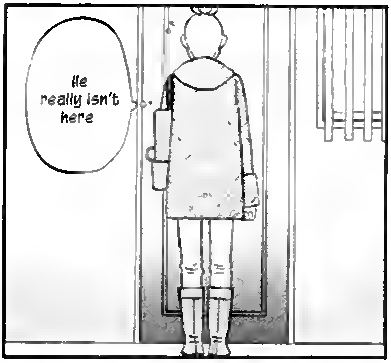
I went to Tooru's apartment but he wasn't there at all..
Wh- what if he's done something like, he dropped his phone?
Re- really...
He's never there.
I'm worried that he hasn't tried to contact anyone, and I live close so I've been visiting his place every now and then but
If I see him at college I'll tell you
Yeah, yes please~!

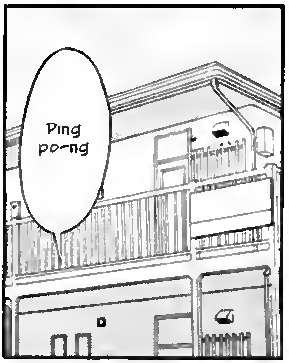
What's wrong...?
Tooru...
MUNCH
MUNCH
MUNCH
Who are you looking for?
Well, I wanted to ask Tooru's friends to give him a message.
Really.


If it's Tooru, I think don't he's here.
It doesn't seem like Tooru's been coming to college at all lately...
No... Rather than just today...
Eh...? Why? Is he on holiday vacation?
You seem to be doing really well with Karasuma so I didn't say anything but...

Why? Since when??
I think since about a month ago he's taken a few holidays
but lately he hasn't been coming at all
Really...
I'm sorry, I'm going to have a quick look at the room
Wait Minato
You're worried as a sister, right?

Yeah...
Maybe...

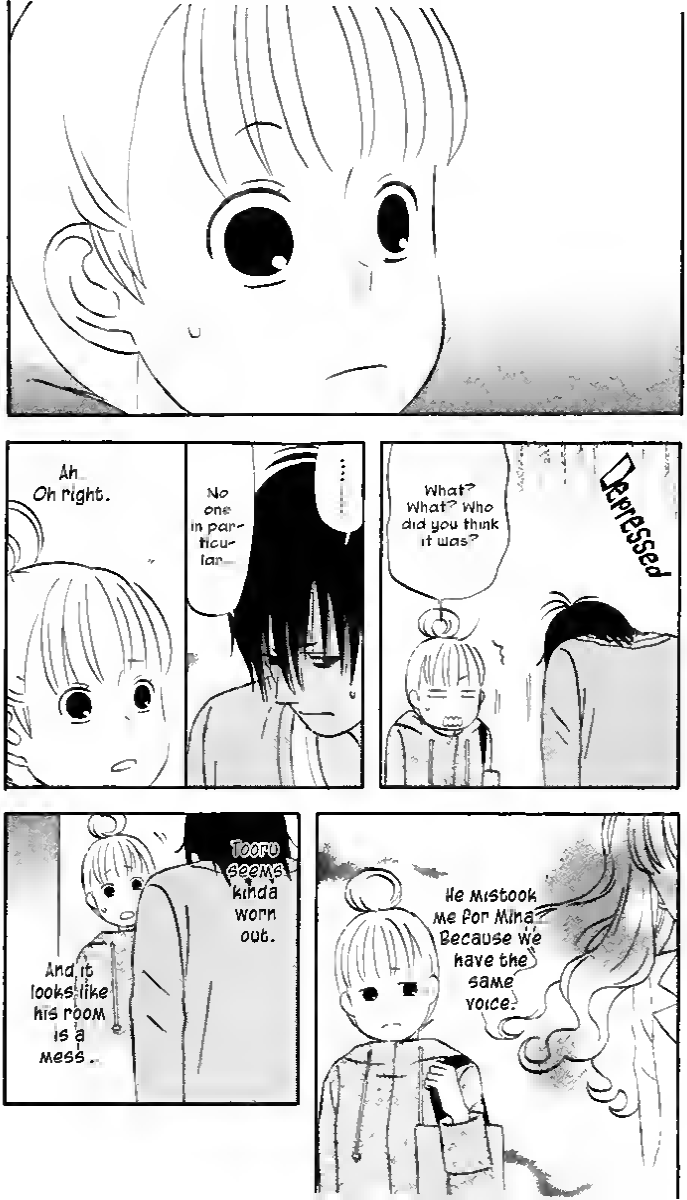

He really isn't here


Ping
po-ng

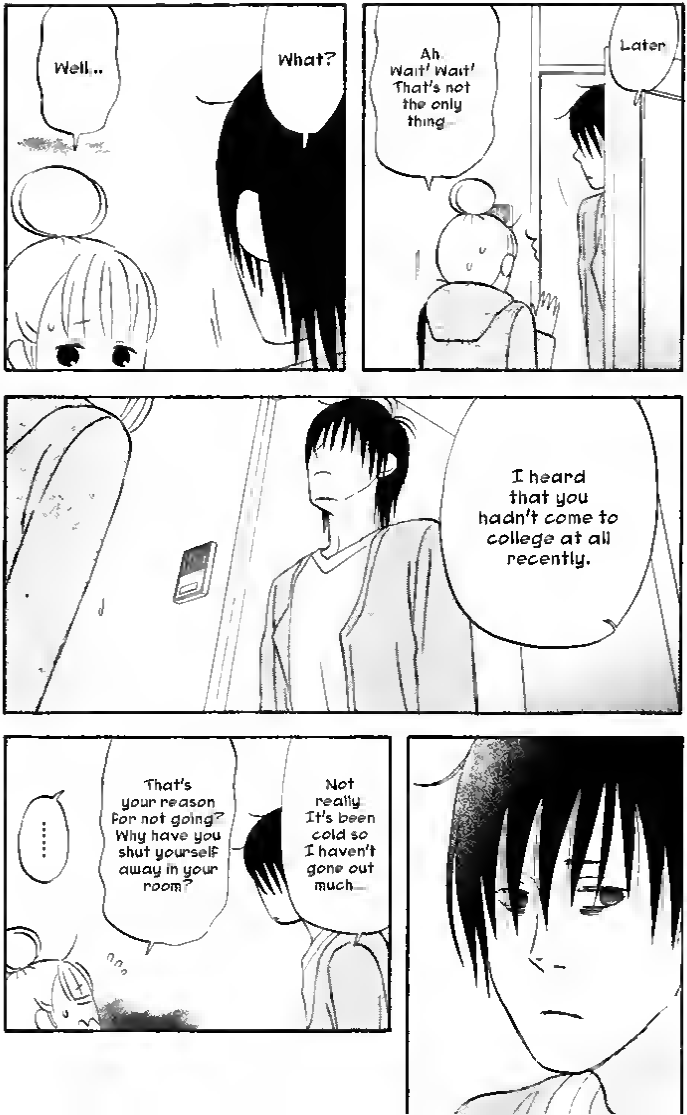
I won't be satisfied until I know he's safe.

If it was the old Tooru he'd be staying at some girl's house, or be out on a walk right? I think but...

Tooru~! Are you here~?
I'm sorry Tooru's neighbors!
Eh?
BANG BANG BANG
BANG!
UWA!


Ah. Oh right.
No one in particular—
……
What? What? Who did you think it was?
Depressed
And it looks like his room is a mess.
Tooru seems kinda worn out.
He mistook me for Mina. Because we have the same voice.

Even though it's only been 2 months...
It hasn't ended for Tooru inside...
What?
Eh Ah—
Katsura said you hadn't called him and I was worried
Ahh now that you mention it, I haven't looked at my phone recently
Jeez~~ He contacted you because he was worried
I got it


Well...
What?
Ah. Wait! Wait! That's not the only thing—
Later
I heard that you hadn't come to college at all recently.
Not really. It's been cold so I haven't gone out much—
That's your reason for not going? Why have you shut yourself away in your room?
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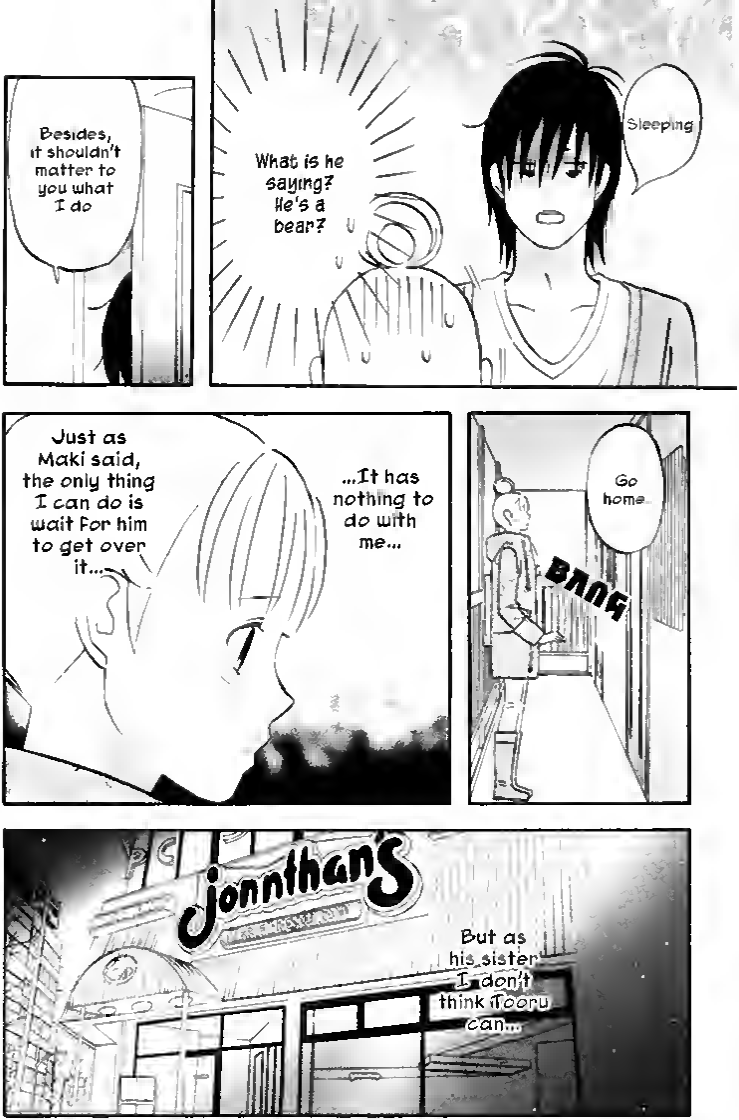
Besides, it shouldn't matter to you what I do
What is he saying? He's a bear?
Sleeping
Just as Maki said, the only thing I can do is wait for him to get over it...
...It has nothing to do with me...
Go home
BANG
Jonnthan's
But as his sister I don't think Tooru can...

Christmas?
Yeah It's coming up
What do you always do For Christmas?
You still feel that way this year?
No
We don't really exchange presents I'm not a child anymore
Well, at Christmas I always have cake with my family~
Well...
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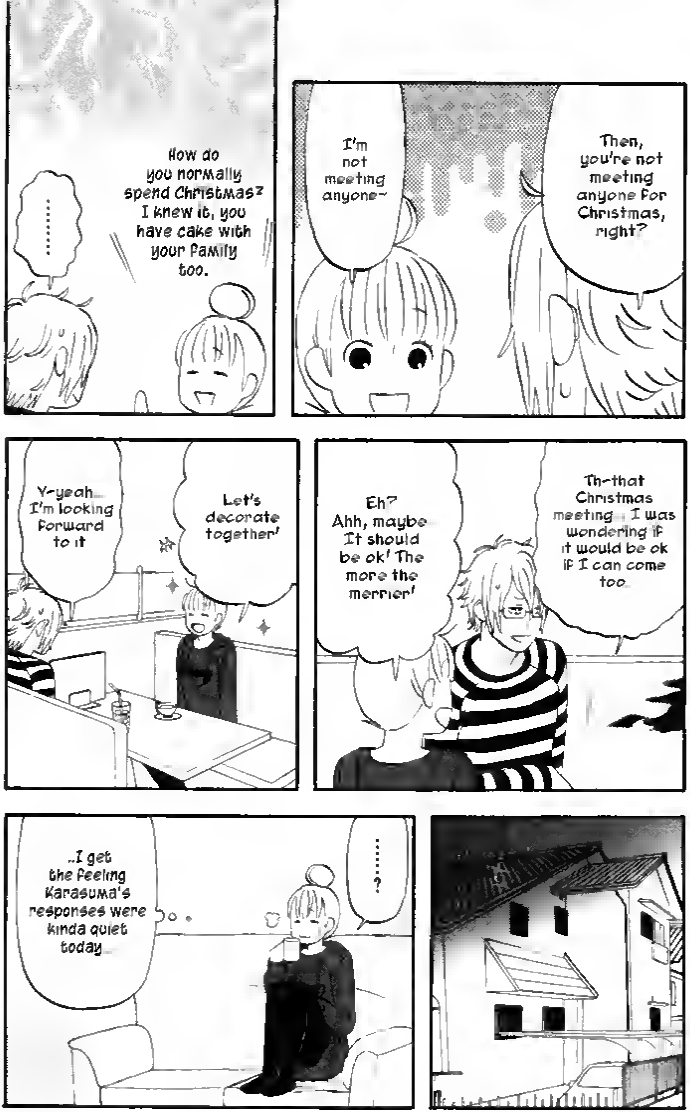
I'm in charge of decorating the society's room! I'm gonna do my best~
This year the society is having a Christmas meet up!


How do you normally spend Christmas? I knew it, you have cake with your family too.
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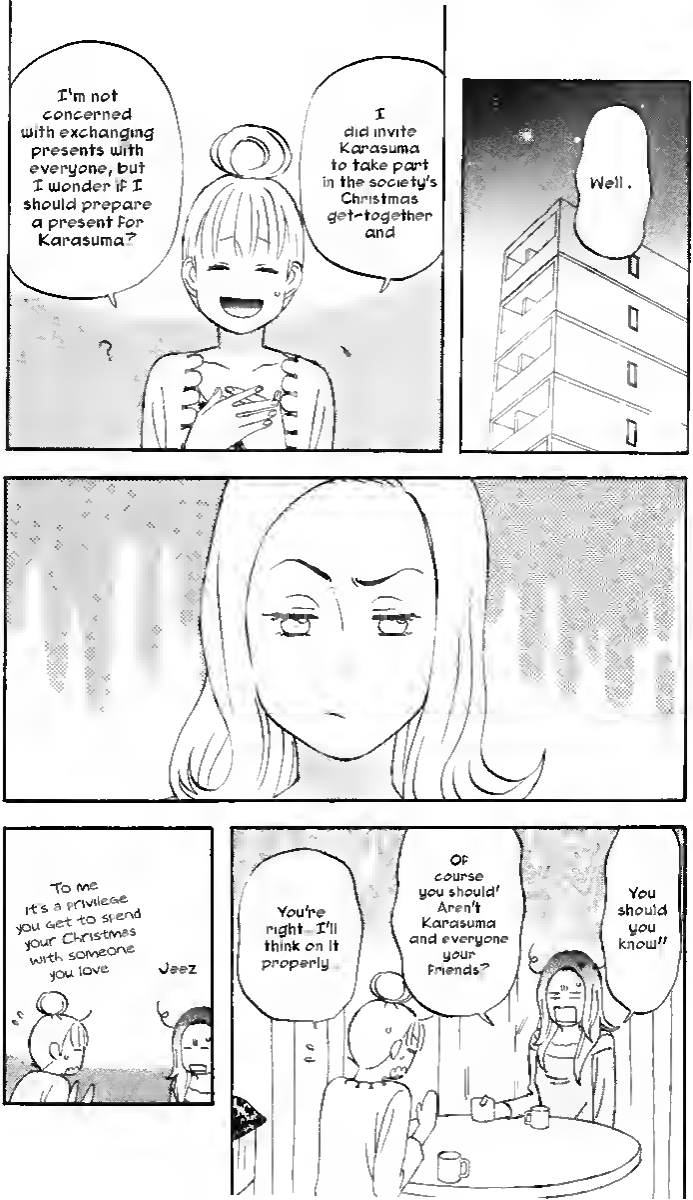
I'm not meeting anyone~
Then, you're not meeting anyone for Christmas, right?
Y-yeah... I'm looking forward to it
Let's decorate together!
Eh? Ahh, maybe It should be ok! The more the merrier!
Th-that Christmas meeting... I was wondering if it would be ok if I can come too...
..I get the feeling Karasuma's responses were kinda quiet today...
.....?

Winter's new color. Attack with Christmas color....
For lovers this Christmas....
I try not to think of Tooru as much as possible but...
I'm still really absentminded aren't I...?
Oh oh oh...
It's no good. Doing something like spending Christmas with your lover is a complete urban legend to me.
What's wrong? Why are you pulling that face?
Why would we spend Christmas as lovers? That's what I thought...!
Has it suddenly become not tasty?
This cake
I thought it was something to spend with friends and family. I only just realized Karasuma's subtle feelings.

This Christmas is just with the two of you alone so it'll feel like your lovers
FuFuFu
I only just realized, but Karasuma's really down to earth
SPARKLE SPARKLE
I wonder if Tooru will spend it with a girl. Mina was so long ago and he's pretty popular.
Ehh... Isn't it ok to do whatever you like?
I think you should buy a couple-sized cake. What do you think?
I just don't know
U-FUFU
Squee
Squee
If he did, that would be a good thing...
Yeah probably...


I'm not concerned with exchanging presents with everyone, but I wonder if I should prepare a present for Karasuma?
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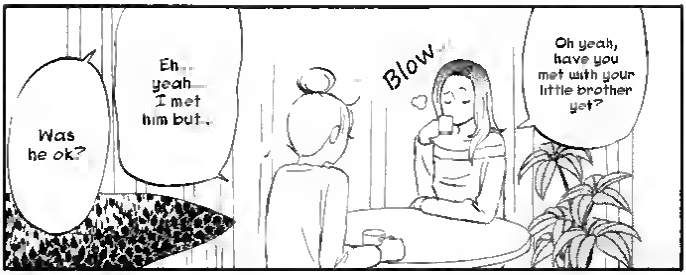
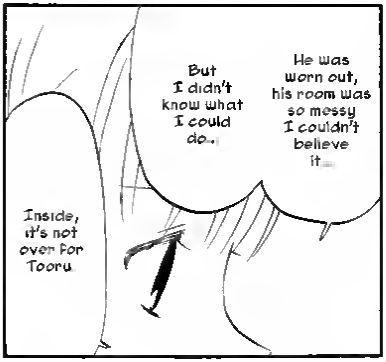
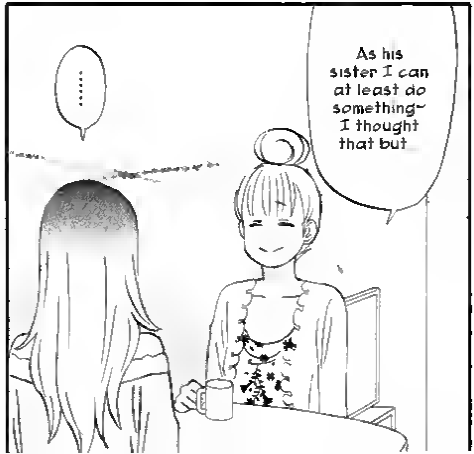
I did invite Karasuma to take part in the society's Christmas get-together and
Well.
To me it's a privilege you get to spend your Christmas with someone you love
Jeez
You're right. I'll think on it properly.
Of course you should! Aren't Karasuma and everyone your friends?
You should you know!!


Was he ok?
Eh... yeah I met him but..
Blow
Oh yeah, have you met with your little brother yet?


Inside, it's not over for Tooru
But I didn't know what I could do..
He was worn out, his room was so messy I couldn't believe it...

He's shut himself away, he seems to always be depressed...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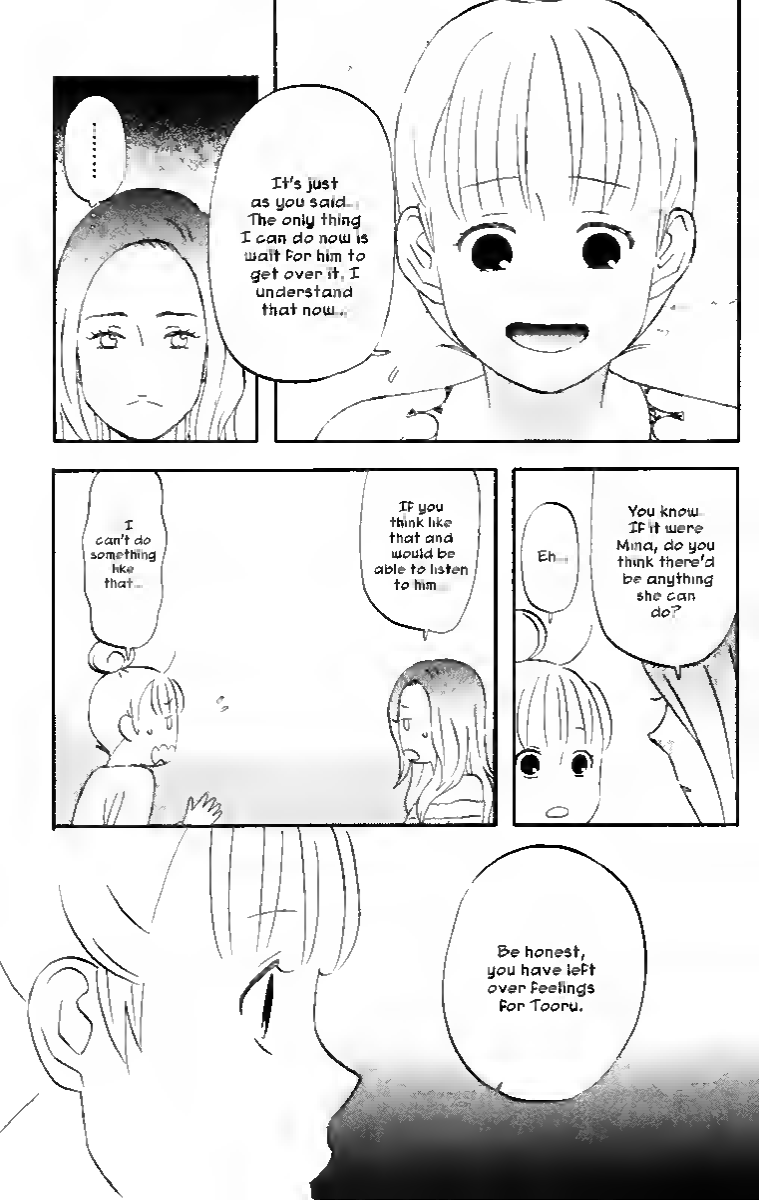
As his sister I can at least do something~ I thought that but

I could only re-confirm the weight of what I had to do to Tooru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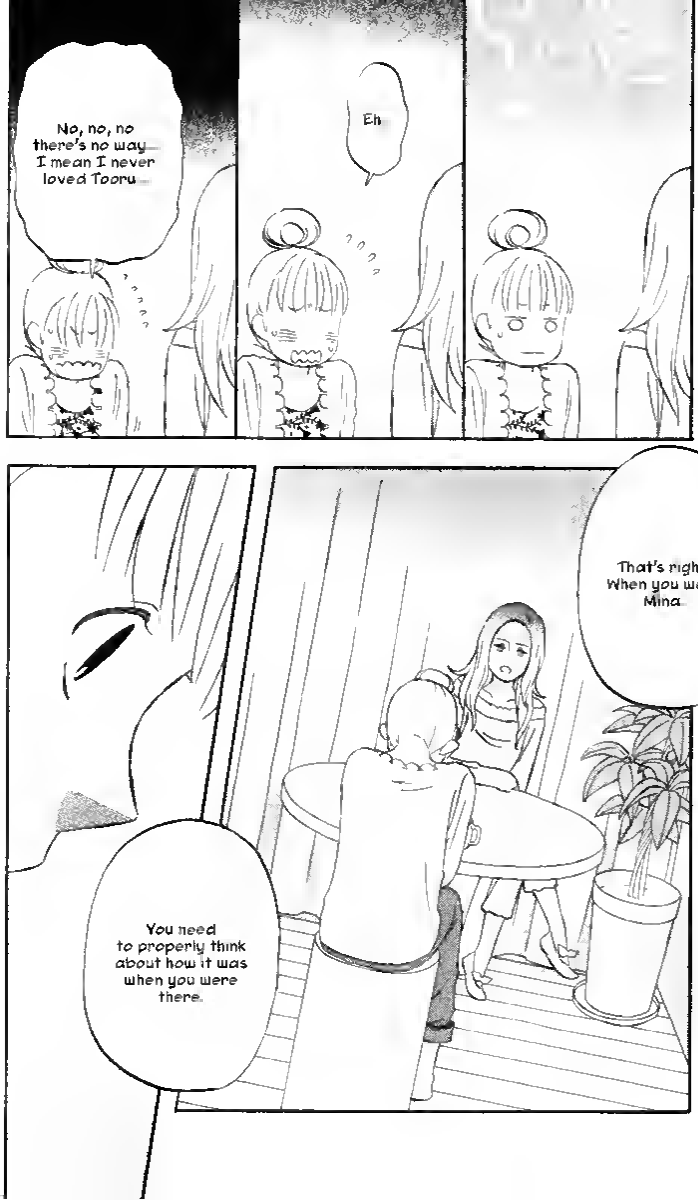
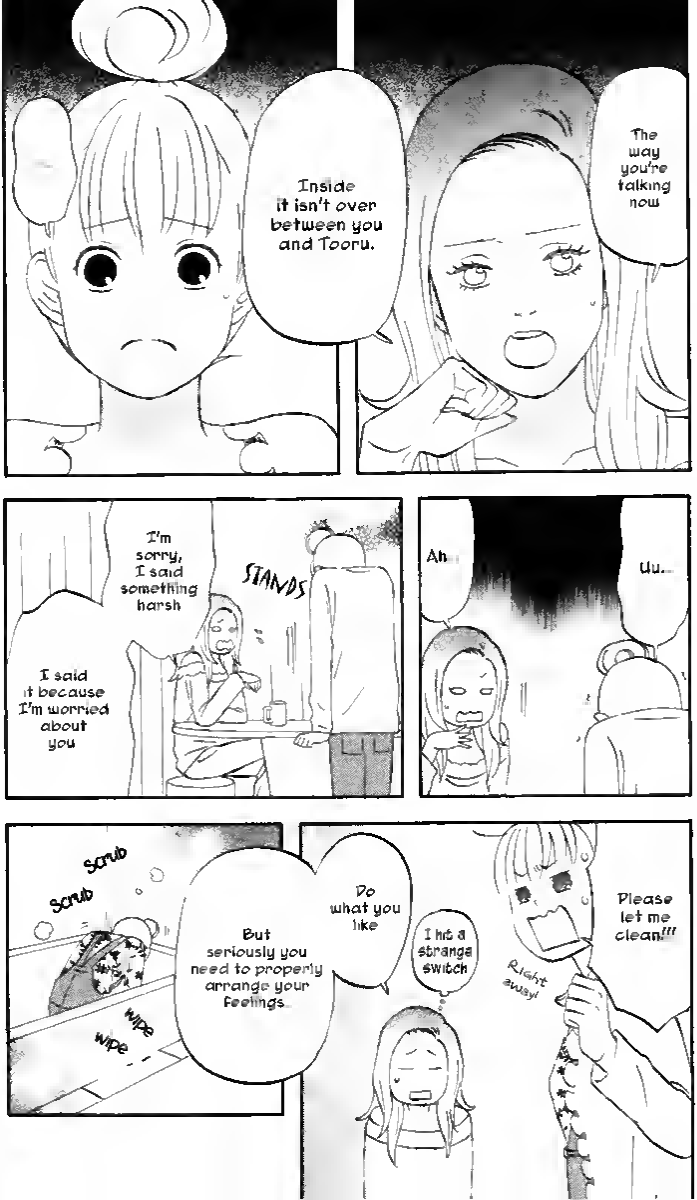
It's just as you said... The only thing I can do now is wait for him to get over it. I understand that now...
I can't do something like that...
If you think like that and would be able to listen to him...
Eh...
You know... If it were Mina, do you think there'd be anything she can do?
Be honest, you have left over feelings for Tooru.

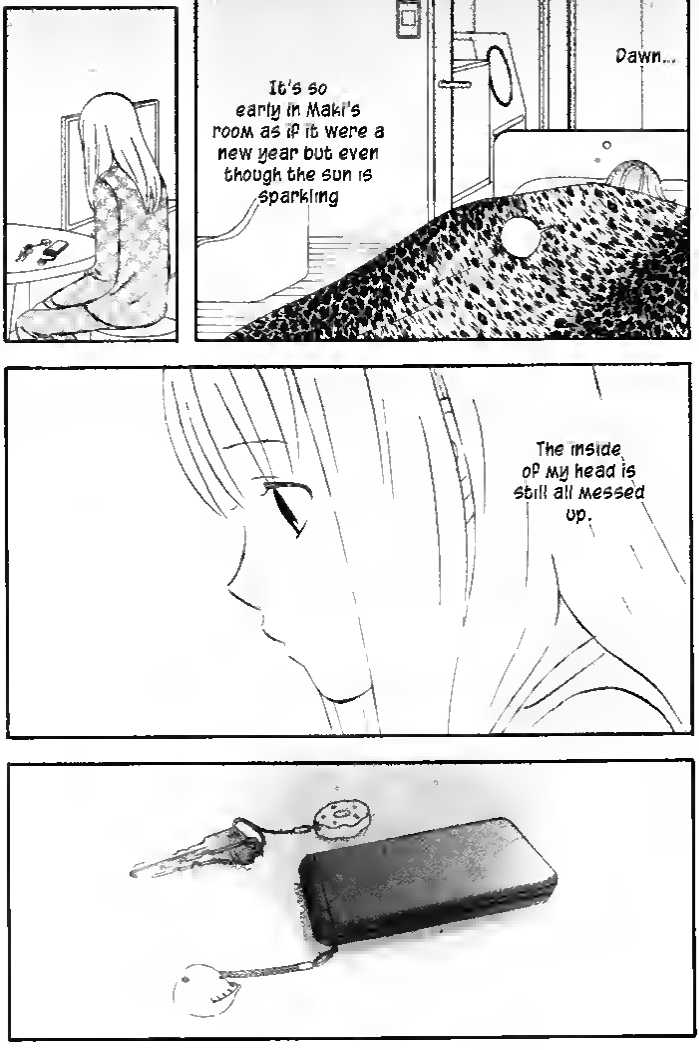

No, no, no there's no way... I mean I never loved Tooru...
Eh
That's right When you were Mina
You need to properly think about how it was when you were there.

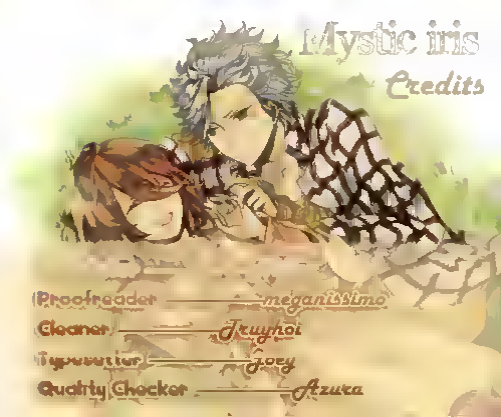
Mina, who only loved Tooru
or Minato who loves Karasuma

You need to properly think about which you will become for your sake


Inside it isn't over between you and Tooru.
The way you're talking now
I'm sorry, I said something harsh
STANDS
I said it because I'm worried about you
Ah
Uu...
Scrub
Scrub
Wipe
Wipe
But seriously you need to properly arrange your feelings...
Do what you like
I hit a strange switch
Right away!
Please let me clean!!!

I know, but it's hard. I'm so sorry...
Mina, who only loved Tooru
I know
or Minato who loves Karasuma
I know
Karasuma is a really nice person and he really likes me
The one Tooru sees isn't me...
They're so similar, it's hard and sad


It's so early in Maki's room as if it were a new year but even though the sun is sparkling
Dawn...
The inside of my head is still all messed up.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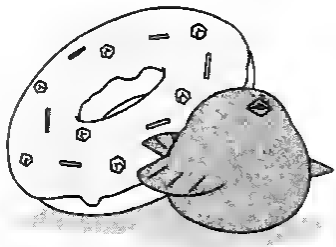
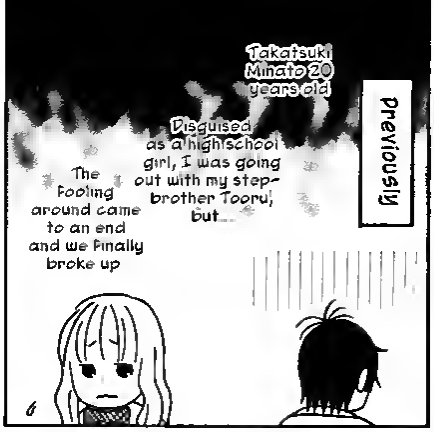
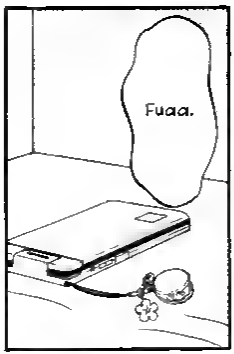


However, ever since we broke up


Previously
Takatsuki Minato 20 years old
Disguised as a high school girl, I was going out with my step-brother Tooru, but...
The fooling around came to an end and we finally broke up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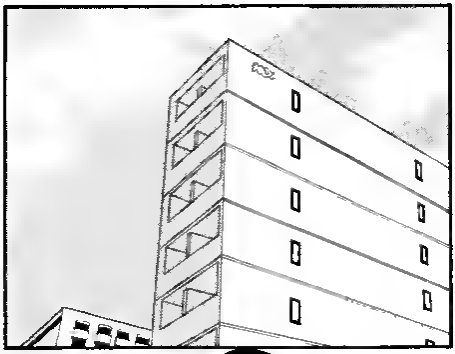

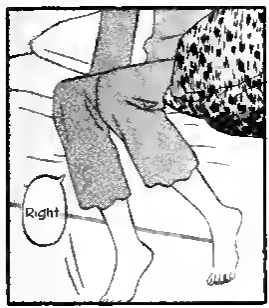
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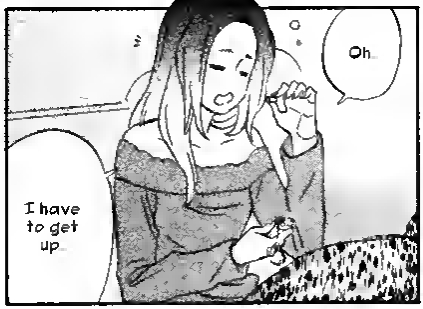
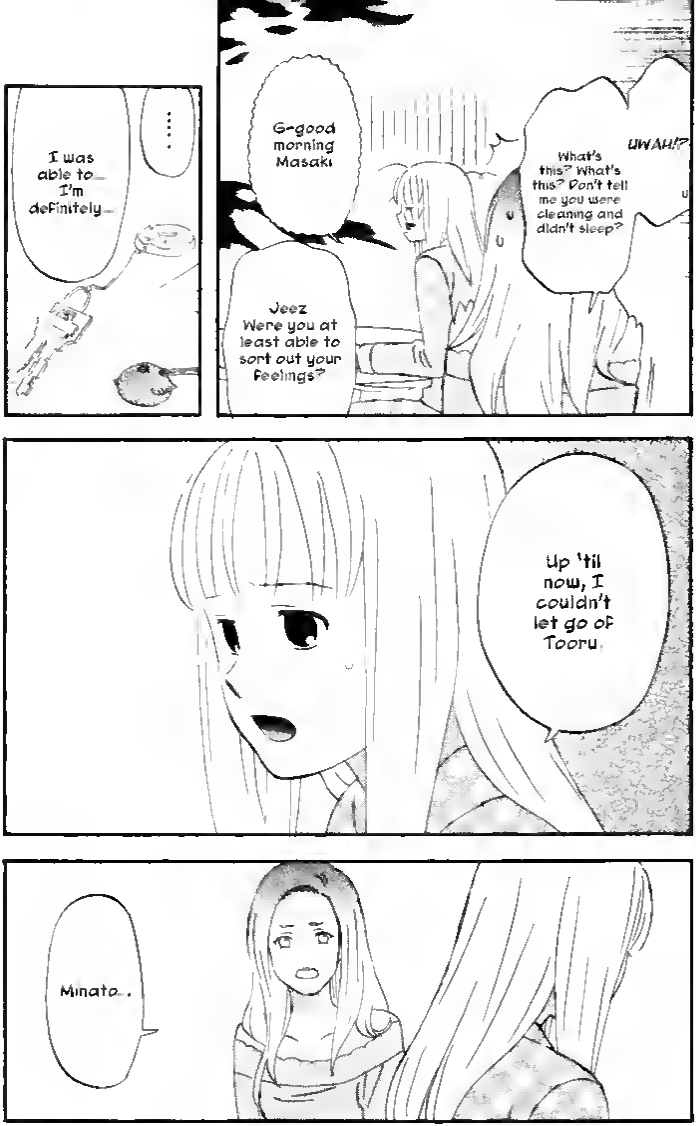
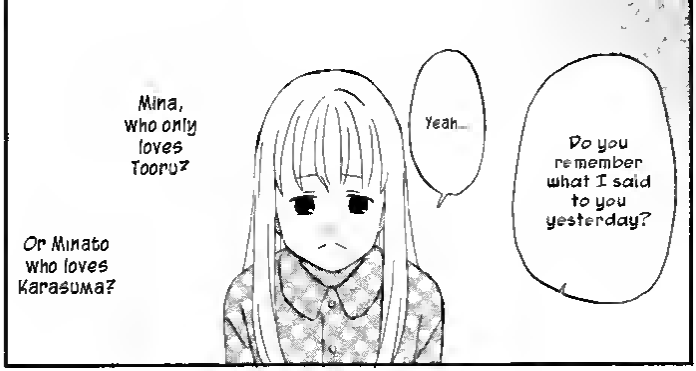
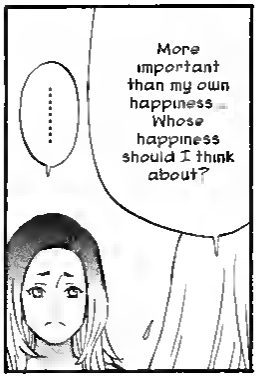

Oh
I have to get up


I was able to... I'm definitely...
G-good morning Masaki
Jeez Were you at least able to sort out your feelings?
UWAH!?
What's this? What's this? Don't tell me you were cleaning and didn't sleep?
Up 'til now, I couldn't let go of Tooru.
Minato...


Mina, Who only loves Tooru?
Or Minato who loves Karasuma?
Yeah...
Do you remember what I said to you yesterday?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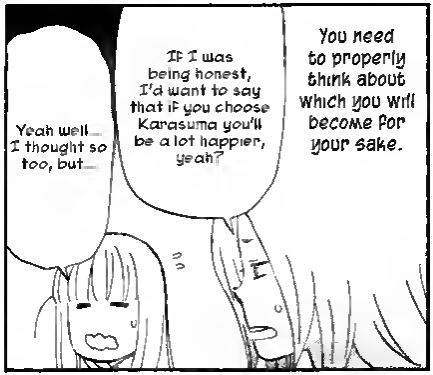
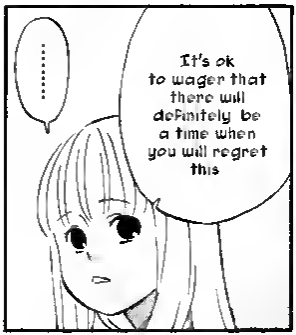
More important than my own happiness... Whose happiness should I think about?


Yeah well... I thought so too, but...
If I was being honest, I'd want to say that if you choose Karasuma you'll be a lot happier, yeah?
You need to properly think about which you will become for your sake.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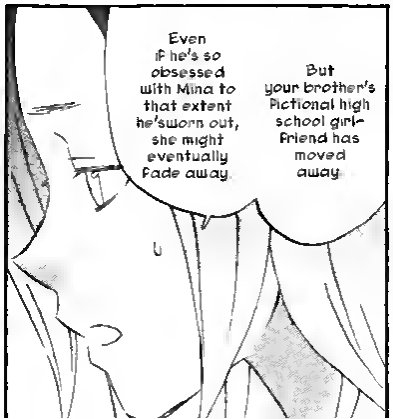
It's ok to wager that there will definitely be a time when you will regret this


Even if he's so obsessed with Mina to that extent he'sworn out, she might eventually fade away
But your brother's fictional high school girlfriend has moved away

I want to pretend to be Mina
My feelings for Tooru will still arise, and so
I'm sorry. Despite that...
I have to try a natural break up I think by conveying my true feelings...
I decided not to leave any unfinished business so...
What are you going to do about Kara-suma?
Jeez There's no way to save an idiot like you
then what?
And then you'll return to being Mina
So you're going to have the break-up talk
WHACK

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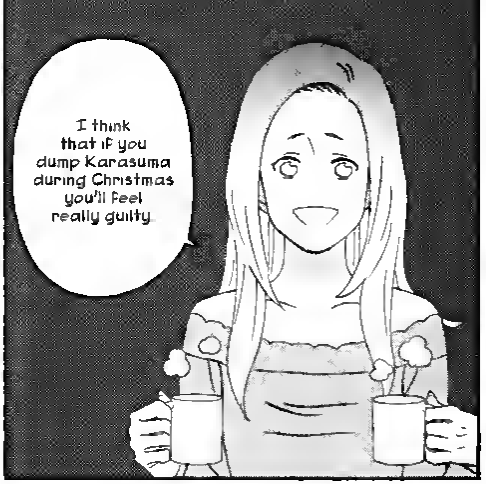
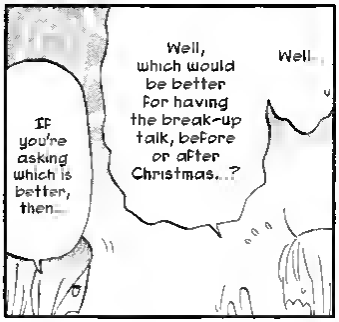

I think that if you dump Karasuma during Christmas you'll feel really guilty


Well...
Well, which would be better for having the break-up talk, before or after Christmas...?
If you're asking which is better, then...

Oh yeah! It's just before Christmas!
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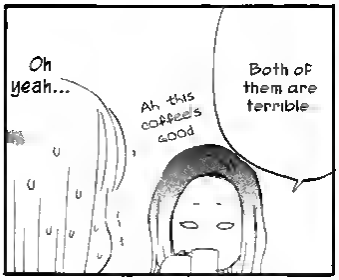
Oh yeah...
Ah, this coffee's good
Both of them are terrible

Ahh...

More than an idiot, I am a terrible woman.

And so, one clear night, the terrible woman descended.

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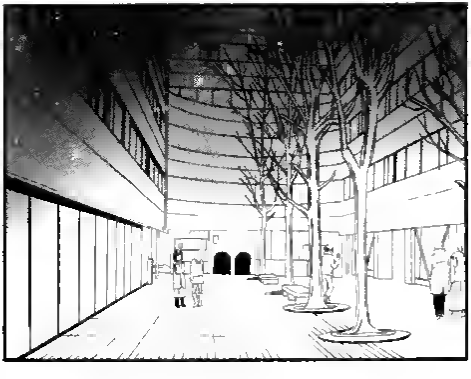
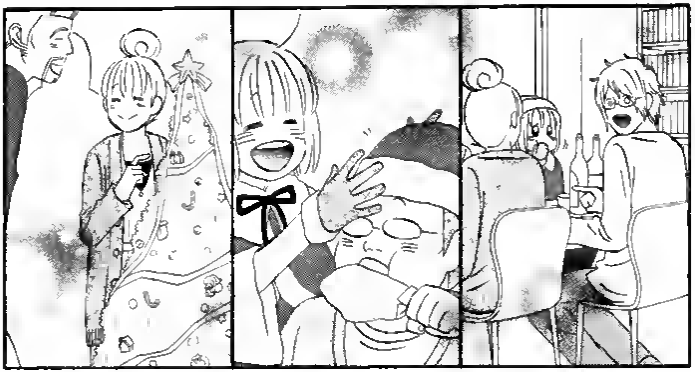
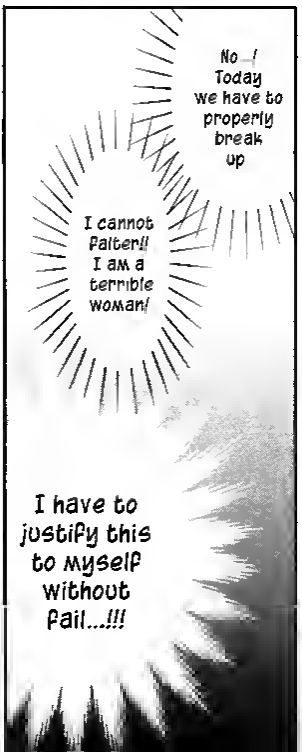
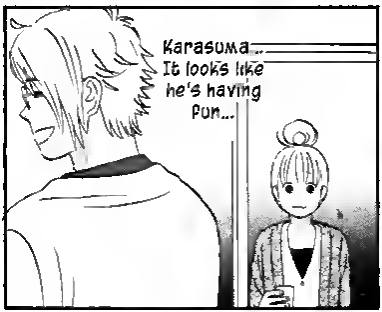


I brought caaaake~
GACHA
Woooah
YES!
You haven't made a mistake and come to sell the cake, have you? With that costume...
Why's that Mina, aren't these normal clothes? Isn't this a party?
You've brought such an amazing outfit
Thank you very much for your thoughts, but that light blue and white pattern doesn't have anything to do with Christmas, does it?
If you'd like it please take it!
I also brought one for you, Amane Sempai!
Eh- hehe~
It's cute. It suits you, Naka.

Hey, why's that guy here?
Eh?
Biff
Gah
YAY
Hey, now everyone's here. Let's get started
It's fine, isn't it? We can all apply for the summer con together
I thought the more the merrier
Hmmm
White
Yes!
White wine people?
Cheers~!
MERRY CHRISTMAS!




No...! Today we have to properly break up
I cannot falter!! I am a terrible woman!
I have to justify this to myself without fail...!!!

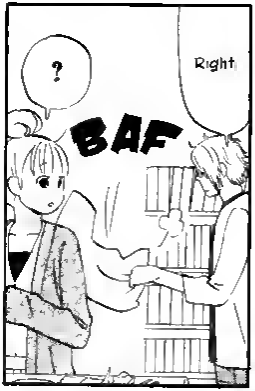

Karasuma... It looks like he's having fun...

We didn't have any time to meet beforehand after all. It accidentally became a Christmas break-up...
I wonder if I can really break up with Karasuma after he's had this much fun..

Yeah. Everyone had a good atmosphere once they were drunk. It looked like fun.
Wasn't that fun?

Yeah that's right
Don't tell me you have to clean all this up?
Every-one's gone home

By the way...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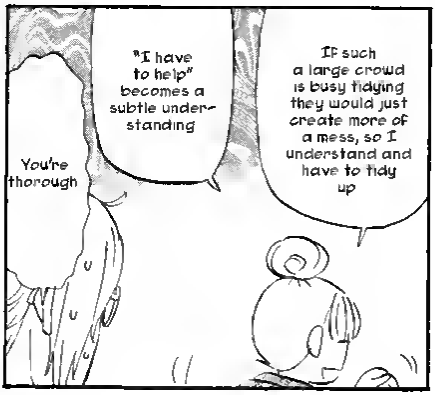
Right
BAF

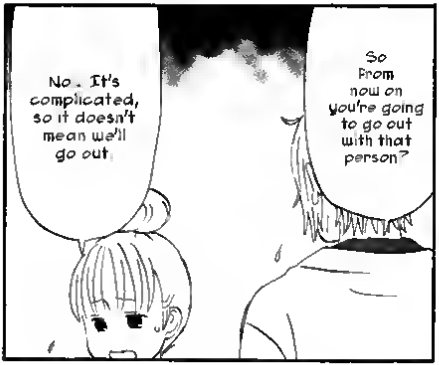

You're thorough
"I have to help" becomes a subtle under-standing
If such a large crowd is busy tidying they would just create more of a mess, so I understand and have to tidy up

Yeah, thanks Karasuma
.....
Since it's just the two of us, it's ok if I help you, right?
I have to quickly have the talk...!
I'm sorry I got you to clean even though I plan to break up with you soon...
Ugh... Why is Karasuma such a nice guy?
What?
I have something important I want to tell you
What's up?
Yeah?
Erm.

Erm... Well...
Rather than an important talk...
Rather than saying I have to apologize...
.....?
No. Keep going!
I-I'm sorry!
I... I...
There's another person I like....!!

.....
.....
A joke...
No... I'm sorry...
Thought so... You're not the kind of person who would say jokes like that...
Today is Christmas right?
The timing's the worst for such a heavy confession...
Erm... I just want to confirm this, but...

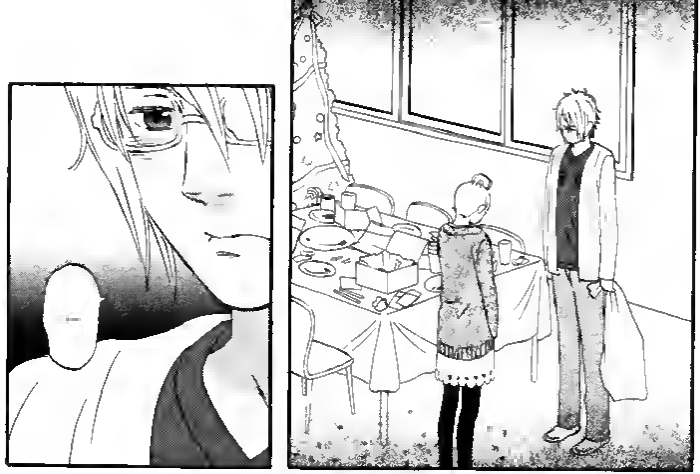
I only recently realized my own feelings...
I really am really sorry, you see

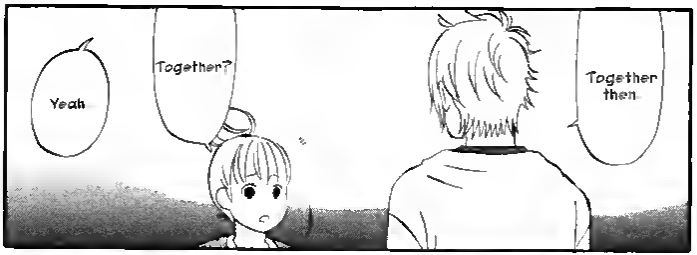

No. It's complicated, so it doesn't mean we'll go out
So From now on you're going to go out with that person?

No way! I could never do that!
So you don't mean you want to go separate ways, do you?
We've spent this time together

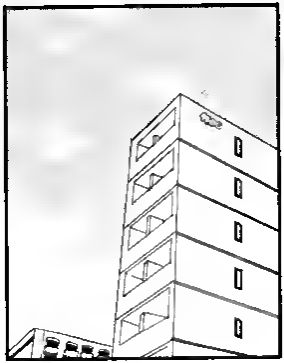
But you could say that I've always been interested in that person...

One-sided... is that it?
It's not... mutual love.
I might make it appear like that, but that's not the case.
So it's one-sided love?
I don't think I can make him change his mind...
That's so unbelievable it makes me laugh.
Change his Mind?
Tooru?
Then I hope you do your best from now on to change his mind.
To me?




Yeah.
Together?
Together then.

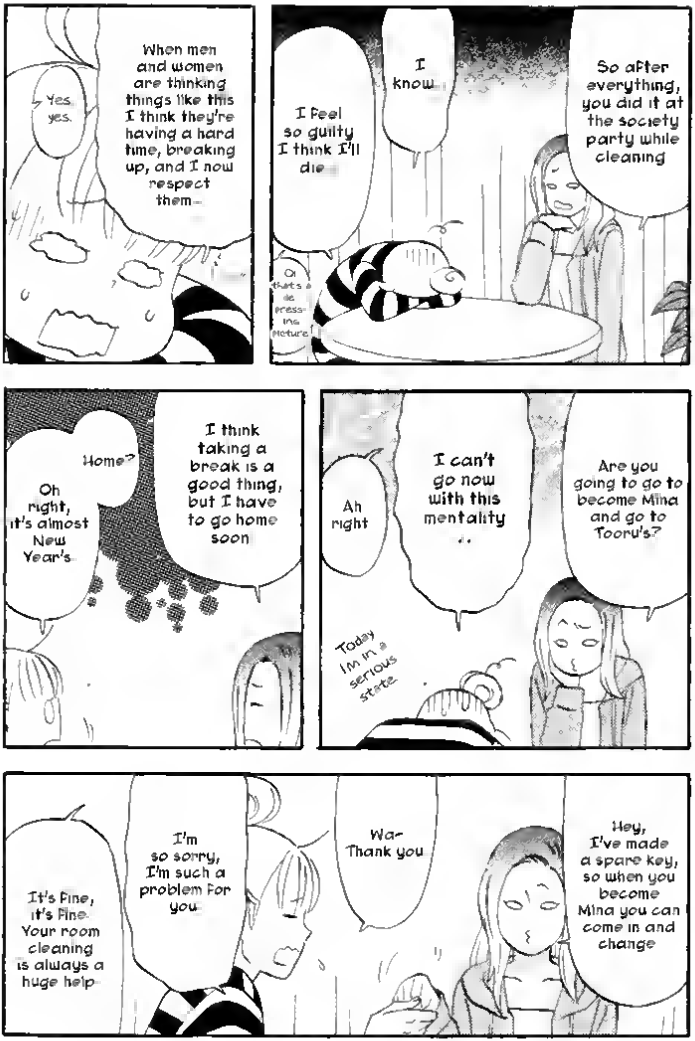
Kara-suma...
Your wish seems simple enough, so let's achieve it together.



Sorry

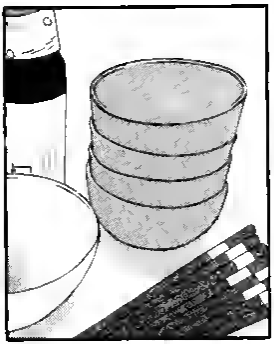
I'm
sorry.

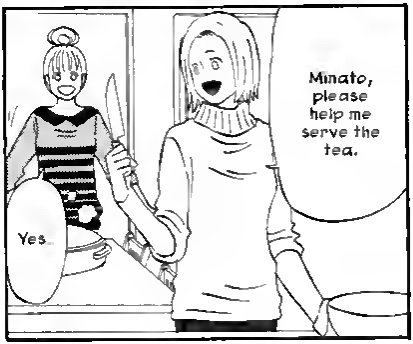
I'm so
sorry...

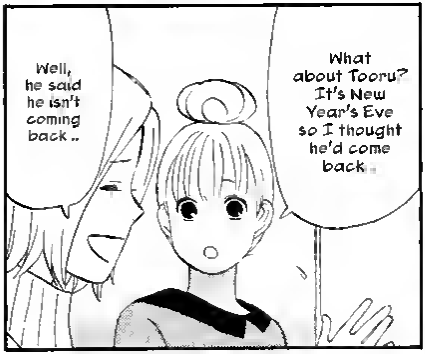

When men and women are thinking things like this I think they're having a hard time, breaking up, and I now respect them
Yes, yes
So after everything, you did it at the society party while cleaning
I know
I feel so guilty I think I'll die
Oi that's a bit pressing picture!
I think taking a break is a good thing, but I have to go home soon
Home?
Oh right, it's almost New Year's
Are you going to go to become Mina and go to Tooru's?
I can't go now with this mentality ..
Ah right
Today Im in a serious state
Hey, I've made a spare key, so when you become Mina you can come in and change
Thank you
I'm so sorry, I'm such a problem for you
It's Fine, it's Fine Your room cleaning is always a huge help

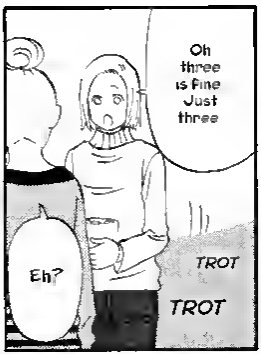
When the time comes and he appears I'll decide on My move

That's right. It's the New Year so around then Tooru might come home.




Minato, please help me serve the tea.
Yes


Well, he said he isn't coming back..
What about Tooru? It's New Year's Eve so I thought he'd come back


Oh three is fine Just three
Eh?
TROT
TROT

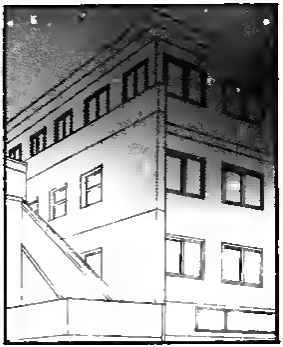
No way. No way Tooru.
He's on a trip???
A skiing trip eh~? I'm jealous.
Isn't he going skiing abroad with his friends?
Eh!? W-Why!?

I'm going to look for Mina! 3000 miles away!
He couldn't have gone to Equador!!?
??

Bang
Bang
Bang
What should I do if I'M too late!?
This isn't a joke anymore! This is just too unbelievable!

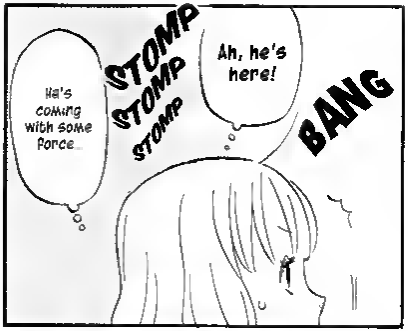
I have to hurry and become Mina...!

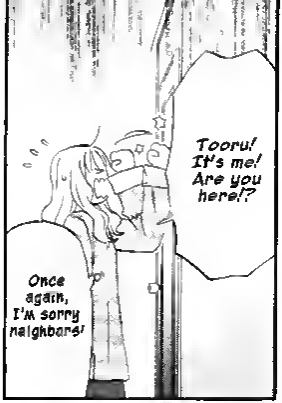
Hang on Minato, where are you going?
I'm sorry! I just remembered I forgot something at Maki's house! You start without me!



There's no response...
Silence
Aaaaahhh... How far will my bad timing go!!!

The lights are out. No way he's already asleep...
PING PONG


He's coming with some force...
STOMP STOMP STOMP
Ah, he's here!
BANG


Tooru! It's me! Are you here!?
Once again, I'M sorry neighbors!

Ah He's being precautious Last time Mintato came and he wasn't very happy
SILENCE
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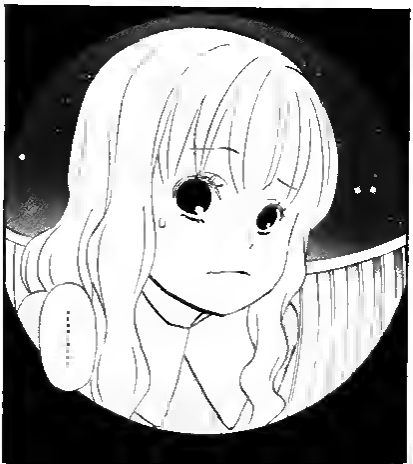
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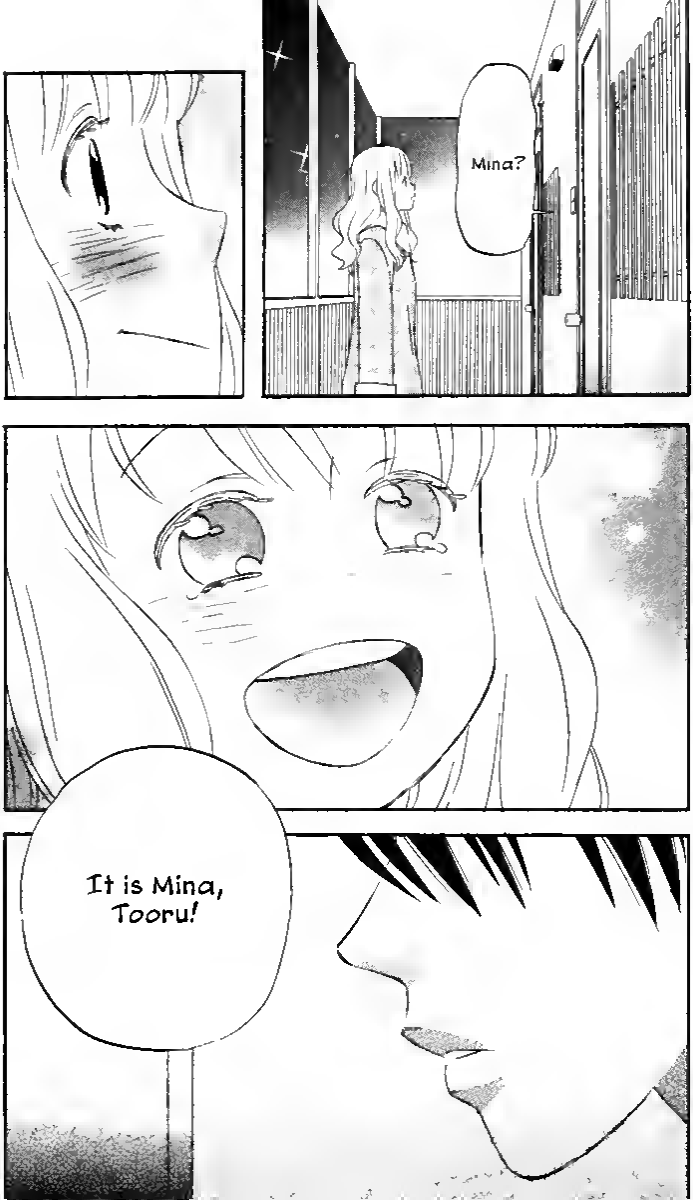
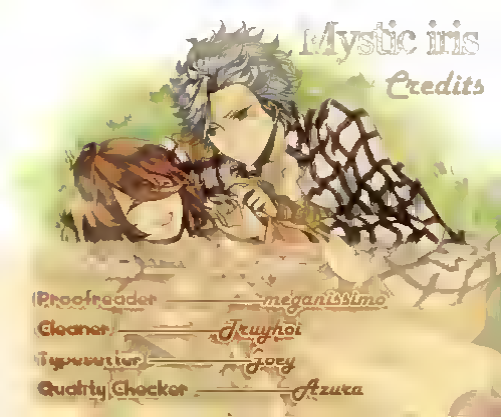
Is he peeping? Even though it's dark will he recognize My face?


Mina?
It is Mina, Tooru!

I've come back!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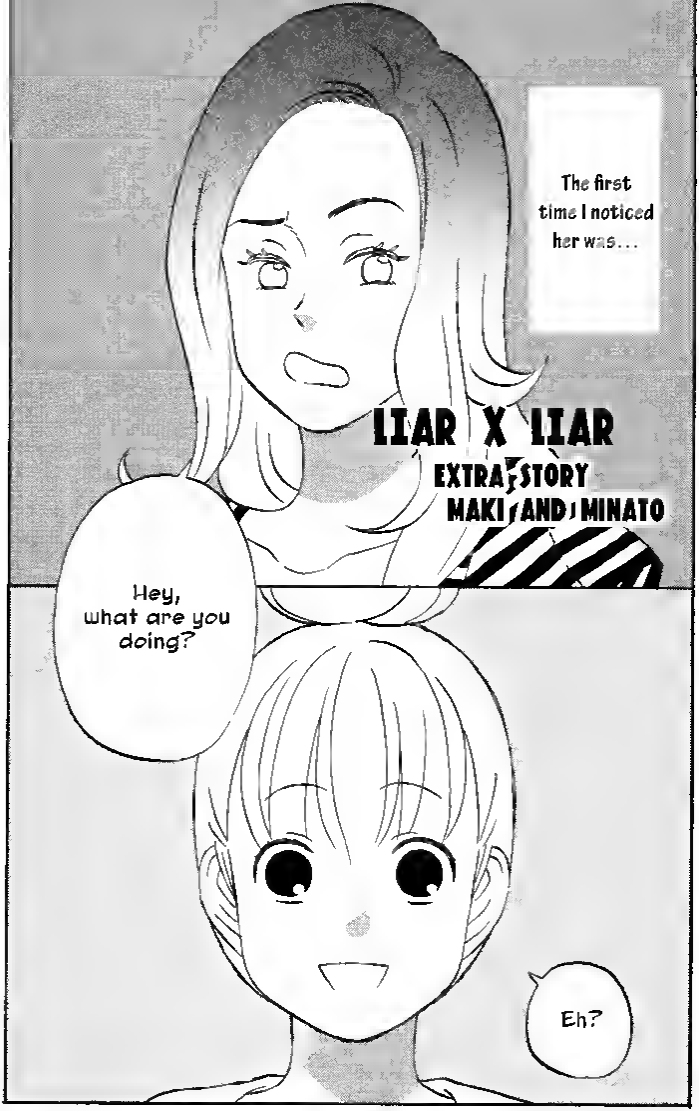
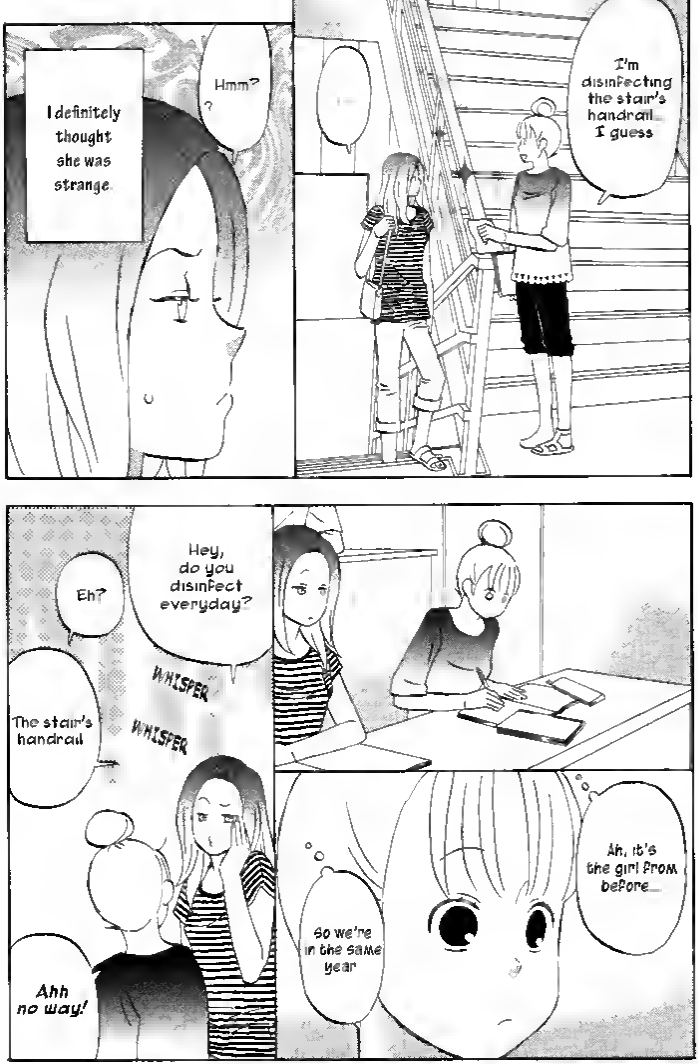
If you don't join us. We'll be forever alone


The first time I noticed her was...
LIAR X LIAR
EXTRA STORY
MAKI AND MINATO
Hey, what are you doing?
Eh?


I definitely thought she was strange
Hmm?
?
I'm disinfecting the stair's handrail... I guess
Hey, do you disinfect everyday?
Eh?
WHISPER
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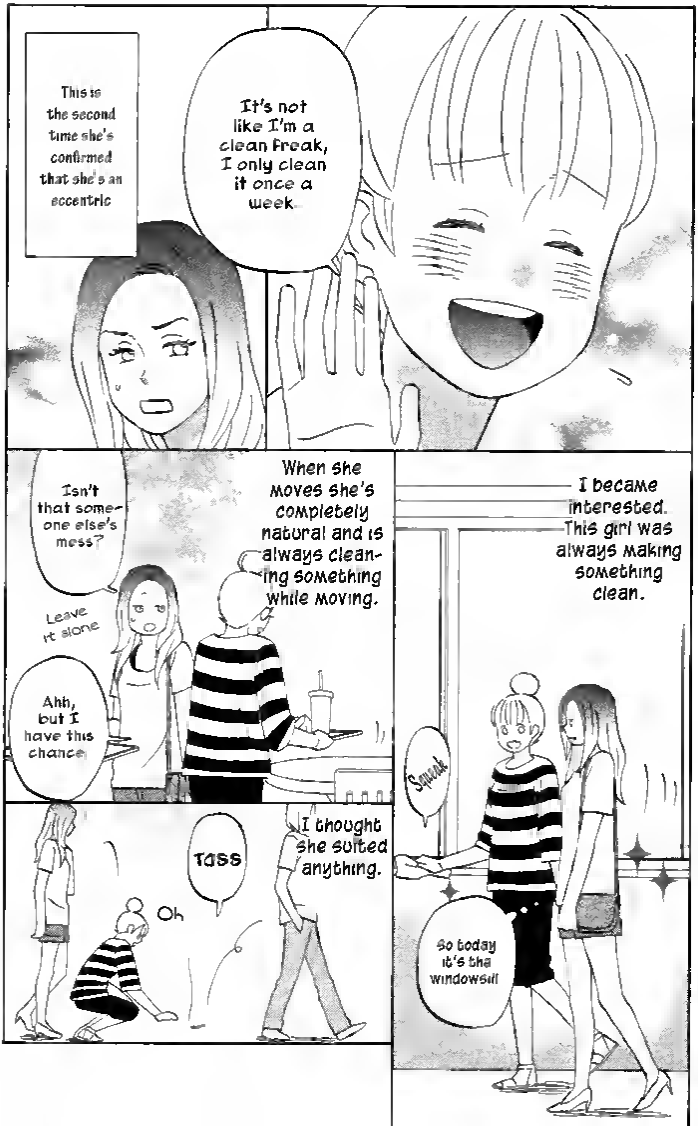
The stair's handrail
Ahh no way!
So we're in the same year
Ah, it's the girl from before...


This is the second time she's confirmed that she's an eccentric
It's not like I'm a clean freak, I only clean it once a week
Isn't that someone else's mess?
Leave it alone
Ahh, but I have this chance
When she moves she's completely natural and is always cleaning something while moving.
I became interested. This girl was always making something clean.
Squish
So today it's the windowsill
I thought she suited anything.
TOSS
Oh

IMPACT
Eh?
What?
RU*BA
Why are you dancing?
GAAAAH
I'm not someone who can do something like that
As I explained she became very awkward
As expected, she's an eccentric. I don't have any appropriate words to describe it. For now I think it's fine to worry a bit
THE END

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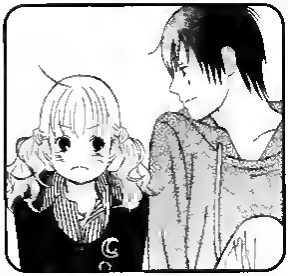

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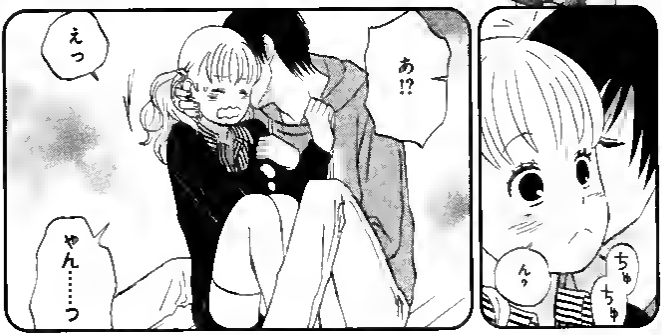

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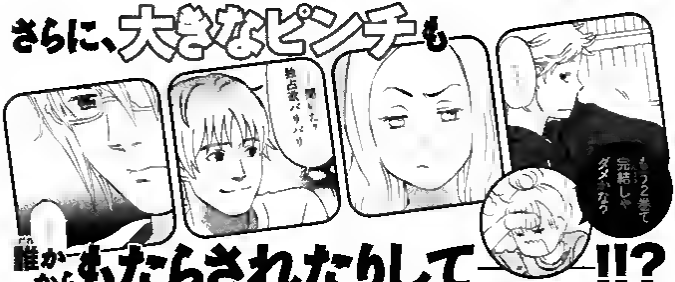

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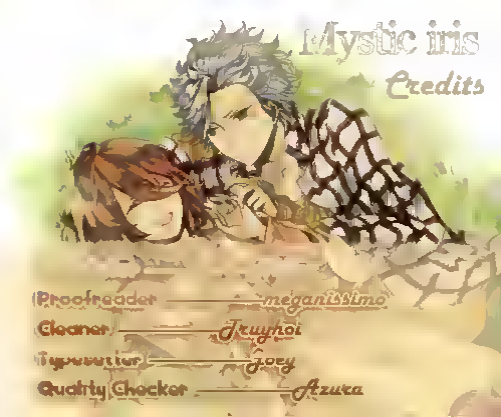
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